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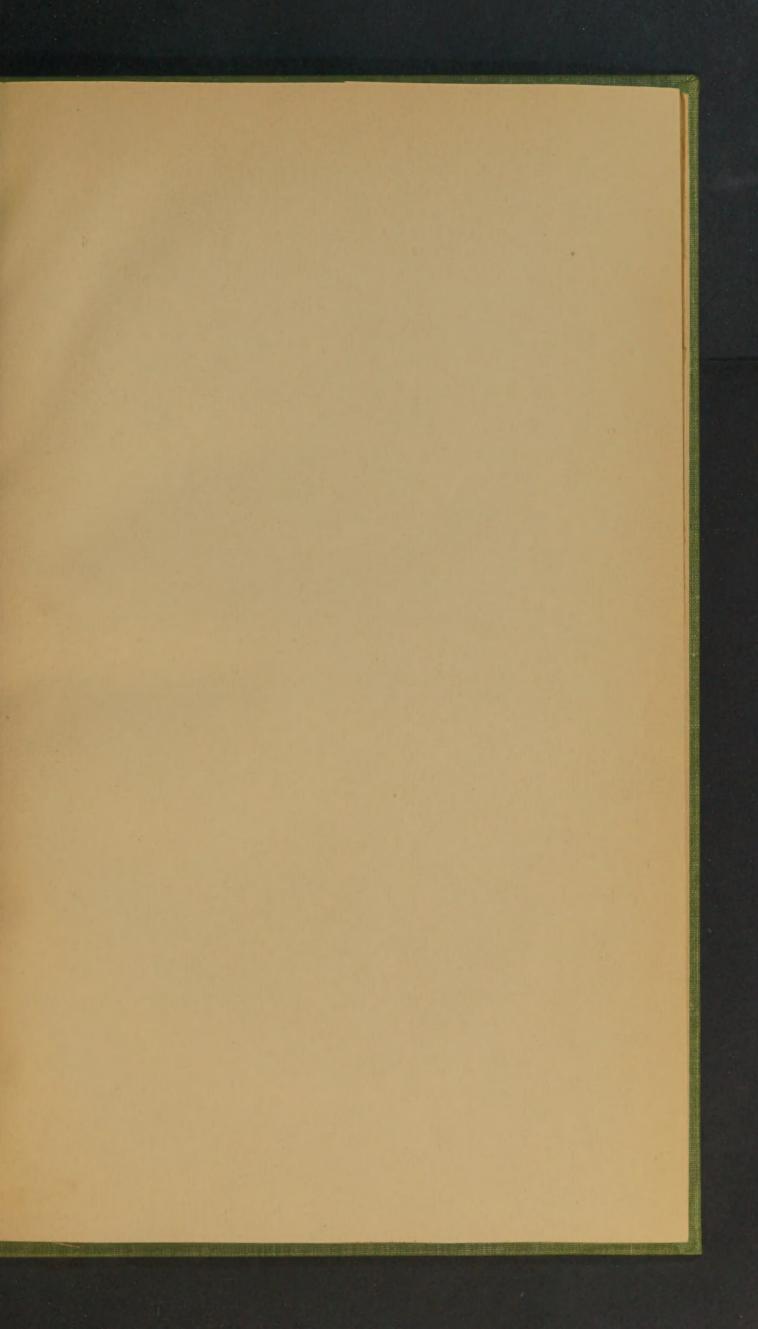
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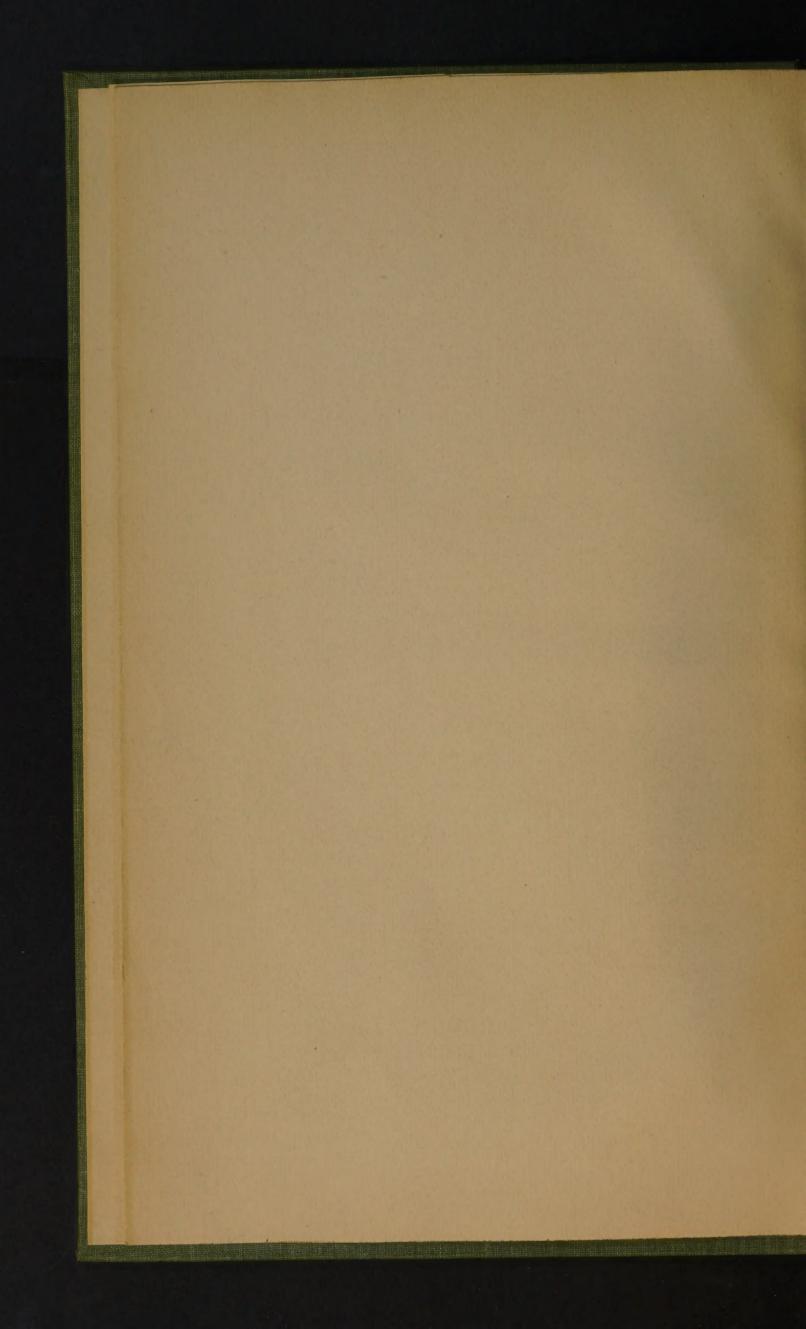


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PREDICTIONS

OF

NOSTREDAMUS,
GREBNER,
DAVID PAREUS, and
ANTONIUS TORQUATUS.

Wherein the GRANDEUR of Their

Present Majesties,

THE

HAPPINESS of ENGLAND,

AND

DOWNFALL of FRANCE and ROME,

Are plainly Delineated.

WITH A

LARGE PREFACE,

SHEWING.

That the CROWN of ENGLAND has been not obscurely foretold to Their MAJESTIES WILLIAM III. and MARY, late PRINCE and PRINCESS of ORANGE; And that the People of this ANCIENT MONARCHY have duly Contributed thereunto, in the Present Assembly of LORDS and COMMONS: notwithstanding the Objections of Men of different Extremes.

LONDON, Printed for J. Robinson at the Golden Lion in St. Paul's Church-yard, T. Fox in Westminster-hall, and M. Wotton at the Three Daggers in Fleet-street. 1689.



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To the Right Honourable

CHARLES Earl of MACCLESFIELD,

LORD PRESIDENT of WALES,

And one of His M A J E S T Y's Most Honourable PRIVY-Council.

MY LORD,

INCE the Great Grotius and Sir Matthew Hales, sometimes Softned their Severer Studies with Verse; I hope Your Lordship will not think a plain English Preface the more unworthy of Your Pa-

tronage, because of the Rhimes that follow it.

Certainly we are bound by the most Sacred Ties, to use all Means in our Power for the Preservation of the present Government, with which the Protestant Religion throughout Christendom may expect to flourish or fail, as to its visibility. And as Your Lordship's Sword is ready, under our Glorious King WILLIAM, again to do Wonders, whenever this Noble Cause shall draw it; permit me in the mean while, under Your Lord-ships Banner, to offer this Earnest of my utmost either natural or acquir'd Force in its Service, against a sort of Enemies below Your Lordships Indignation.

Some of them, being Men of Letters, will yield to no Authority, but what they find in Books; and were it not for the Invention of Printing, would almost have been deprived of the use of Reason: For these, I hope, I have brought both Weight and Measure, and provid to them, that our Government is as Legal, as it may be Happy, if they please; and, I doubt not, will be, whether they please, or no.

With others, no Arguments are of any moment, but as they work upon their Hopes or Fears; and Reason in them is always subservient to Sense or Interest: These, if they have not Religion, at least are Superstitious, and as the Poet has it, "are the Men who tremble and look pale at every Flash Hi sunt qui "of Lightning: Every cross Accident is with them a Presage of more, and trepidant & disposes them to change their Side; and time was, when by looking up to gura pallent. the Fane over the Horse-Guards, one might know who they were for. If these Men can be persuaded, that the wonderful Successes which his present Majesty has met with, have been plainly foretold, and that no less are promised yet to come; if they do not assist, they will not dare to oppose: And till they can either fix an Imputation of Forgery upon the Predictions here collected, or evade their Agreement with known Events, the Government has them sure.

I must confess, I believe it will never be well with this divided Nation, till Men act, like Your Lordship, upon more generous and steady Principles. Whoever espouses Truth only while it is prosperous, is beholden to Chance for his Honesty, as some have been for their mistaken Loyalty, with

The DEDICATION.

Vid. the Lord which specious Pretence, they have varnished over a long Series of the most Sir Ro. Arkyns illegal and barbarous Actions, that ever were the Reproach of any Civilized u on the Lord Nation.

Ruffel's Trial, and Mr. Hawles's Remarks upon that and others, &c.

> Under that Rage Your Lordship suffer'd; and not to have suffer'd, would have been enough to have brought Your Fame in question; when it was hardly possible for one of so great a Figure to live in safety, without such shameful Compliances, as our English Spirits were never guilty of in

the darkest Ages of Popery.
These things, I am consident, Your Lordship would be loth to remember against any, now likely to represent themselves fair to a Prince newly come from abroad, were it not for the manifest Tendency, I may say, Effects, of their Principles: And till they either publickly repent of, or condemn those Doctrines, upon which such Actions are grounded, Your Lordship may well apprehend a Relapse into the former State.

The Absurdity of their Notions is not a more proper Subject of Laughter, than the Guilt is of Punishment; yet had they the Ingenuity, by a free Confession, to stop the spreading Contagion, I dare say, few would have the ill Nature to upbraid them with their Faults.

I am sensible that I have rais'd many Enemies, by the Freedom which I have taken with them; yet methinks that Caution and Discretion which has with-held others more able, who look more at Times and Seasons than Things, is little less than Criminal; at least, they deserve no Praise, who will not make or enter a Breach, till cover d with Crowds. Sure I am, many lamented Worthies have been condemn'd in Form of Law, and censur'd by the

-Sed quid Turba Romæ? sequitur fortunam ut semper, & odic Damnatos-

thoughtless higher and lower Vulgar, because of the Pusilanimity or Treachery of others, or fatal Lethargy of the Times; in short, have been thought Fools and Traytors, because they could not Prophesie.

Yet, as Your Lordship has declin'd no Danger, where the Cause of Your Religion or Country call'd, permit me, tho' not to aspire to the Imitation,

to profit by the Example.

Many Men above Fears, are Slaves to Ambition or Gain, perfect Mercenaries, and fight for Pay; they think the World but a Stage to scramble on, and he that gets most, tho to the ruine of Thousands, is with them the Bravest Man. If Your Lordship had been of this Mind, Your Valour might have carv'd out a Fortune enough to have bought a Nation to Your Side.

But that Trust which His present Majesty has repos'd in Your Lordship, is more valuable, than the Indies given by unthinking Multitudes or Monarchs; and I doubt not but Your Lordship will, in Execution of so high an Office, shew that Bravery of Nature, Fidelity by Principle, and Skill both in Civil and Military Affairs, from a long well-improved Experience, as may sufficiently satisfie all reasonable Men in the difference between the Ministry of the last Reign, and This.

For my own part, since my early Zeal for the Service of Your Lordship and the Publick, in truth, of the Publick in Your Lordship, has entred

me of Your Retinue, permit me the Glory of declaring to the World, that

(MY LORD) Your Lordship's most Obliged and Devoted Humble Servant, WILL. ATWOOD.

FTER those Great and Glorious Things which His present Majesty William III. has done for this Nation, had we not made His Government our Choice, as His Protection was our Refuge; the Ingratitude would have been as fignal, as our Deliverance has been, thro' His auspici-And whoever opposes this, may be thought to fight against those Providences and Predictions, which give as it were a Sacred Unction, and Delignation of His Person, to the Supremacy of Power among us. Yet how plainly soever this seems to have been design'd by Heaven, I must own, That alone will not authorise Endeavors to this End, unless it can be done without Injustice to any: For otherwise we should make God the Author of those Sins of Men, which have often been foretold.

But in order to satisfie those who question what is their Duty at this time, either for Acting or Acquiescing, I shall shew that we have been Grateful without being Unjust, and may chearfully act under the present Government, in sure and certain hope that those great Things which are already come to pass, according to plain Predictions, are the happy Omens and Earnests, of greater yet to come, being

equally promis'd. For which end I shall consider, 1. Whether we may not, by comparing the following Predictions, reasonably conclude, That as the Crown of England has been destin'd for the late Prince of Orange, the better to qualifie him for the executing God's Purposes for the Benefit of Mankind; so it has been

long fince foretold?

2. Whether the People of England have not a rightful Power to

contribute towards their, Accomplishment?

4. Whether that Power has not been duly exercis'd in the present

Assembly of Lords and Commons?

Many, I know, despise Prophesies, and laugh at the Observers of those Hand-writings from above; and others, tho' they own that some Beams of Divine Light had visited the dark Ages of the World, before the Sun of Righteonsness appeared, and that they were more frequent during its abode upon Earth, and for the two or three first Centuries after: Yet they will have it, that ever fince God has kept his Fore-knowledge to himself, without communicating any Notices of it to Notices of it to Natus Anno Mankind. Be their Opinions as it will, 'tis not unlikely that many, 1503. Who have been doubtful what Course to steer in their Endeavours for Denatus Anno 1566. the Publick, will attend to these Divine Admonitions.

But that Nostredamus, either thro' Judicial Astrology, or Divine In-here chiefly fpiration, or both, as himself professes, did foretel many things which followed, Anhave come to pass, must not be denied by any body who reads him; Vid. his Preas where he says, That the Senate of London, that is, the Parliament of face to his
Son.

England, cent. 9-49.

England, or those of it who usurp'd its Name, should put to Death Cent. 2. 51,53. their King: That London should be burnt in Thrice twenty and fix, that

is, Sixty fix; and that the Plague should not cease till the Fire: Where, vid. Nostreda- according to what himself observes of some of his Predictions, he limits the Place, Times, and prefixed Terms, that Men coming after may mus his Pre-

see and know, that those Accidents have come to pass as he marked. What he says of the Bastard of England's being half receiv'd, is not more obscure, or less verified. Nor does there seem a greater Veil upon what he says of the West's freeing England, where he in very lively Characters represents the Event of the first and second Attempt there. And

as we find those things to have fallen out accordingly, we have great ground to believe, that what he speaks of his native Country France,

was from a certain Forefight.

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Who can with-hold his Belief from all those Particulars in relation to it, which he speaks not in the least mysteriously? Or can any one doubt, but that this present Juncture bodes it those Ills which he threatens? The Fleet in the West, and the great Appearance there, with His Majesty's stupendious Progress, not without cause, made the 9. 38. With His Majerry's nuperidious Progress, not with His Majerry's nuperidious Progress, nuperidious Progres Paris, Dec. 8. Orders are gi- stion, who is meant by the Chief of the British Isle, or the Great ven for the (a) Æmathien, who is to lead the English to Glerious Enterprises. Can with all possi- it be other than the Celtique, that is, Belgick Prince, of Trojan, that ble diligence is, English Blood, of a (b) German Heart, (c) married to one of Trojan the Town and Blood, and in safe Alliance with the Spaniard? I will not be positive, Blay on the that a King's danger of drinking the Juyce of Orange, unless he yield Garonne. to an Accommodation, must necessarily be intended of the late King (a) Cent. 9.38. and this; tho' I am very confident no time can be shewn when this (b) Cent. 6.2. could be so properly applied. I cannot but think, that Nostredamus (c) 5.24.5.87. has foretold the Fate of (d) James the Second; the (e) Question for the (d) Cent. 6.7. Kingdom between this Prince and the reputed Brother-in-Law; the 10. 56. 5. 18. Kingdom between this Prince and the reputed Brother-in-Law; the carrying the Babe into France, the Father's not being able to make good the Title of his Blood, and this Sham's being the occasion of the late Prince's accepting the Crown. And who can doubt, but this King is that Native of Friezland (as one Part of a Country may be taken for the Whole, or other Part of the Whole) to be chosen here, upon another's having Death given him drop by drop by the Guards? Nor can it be denied, that J. 2. has received his Deaths-wounds, or occasion of a lingring Death, in a great measure, from his own Guards. Nor is the Crown more plainly foretold to His Majesty from an Election, than it is to His Royal Confort by way of Succession, which are both exactly fulfill'd in that happy Partnership in Dignity, while the Regal Power is kept entire to accompany the Marital.

> In two Particulars I have taken a Liberty with Nostredamus, which I cannot but think allowable. 1. Where his Words admit of different Senses, if I have not left them in aquilibrio, equally applicable to either, I have determin'd them to that which best agrees with Events: For if he has truly foretold any thing without ambiguity, we are to believe, that in others, he, or the Spirit which dictated to him, intended what has fallen out, if the Words will bear it. 2. Whereas the Stanzas of his Predictions are scatter'd up and down, like so many Sybilline Leaves, I have gather'd and forted them together, according to past Occurrences, or that relation to the suture which they seem to

bear; and certain it is, that God's Holy Spirit foresaw all things in their true Order. I must own, that the like Persons and Actions may come upon the Stage more than once; wherefore of many, every body is left to his own Conjecture; but in others, the Parallel is so exact between Nostredamus his Descriptions, and what has come to pass in the whole or in part, that where a Connection of Events seems to be pointed at, 'twill be as difficult not to entertain warm Expectations of the Accomplishment of the Whole, as to deny that Part is fufilled: And many Personal Characters, tho' given in distant Stanzas, have that mutual Resemblance, that they look like several Parts, or Lineaments at least, of the same Face, and may without blame be drawn to-

gether.

Grebner seems rather to give an Account of what he had liv'd to see, A ms. in Trithan to foretel what lay in the Womb of Time: Who can deny, but nity-Colledge that he pointed at the Misfortunes of Charles the First, with the Occa- Cambridge, cifion of them, the Generalship of the Earl of Essex, then of Sir Thomas ted in the Fu-Fairfax? And it is not improbable that the Nullus coming next, might ture Historie, Ed. be Nol. Nor can it be a question but the late Prince of Orange, who by An. 1050 and the Mother's Side is Grandson to Charles the First, and Son-in-Law to in the Nor-James the Second, is that Person of Charles his Lineage, who was to Nolo, Nolle, Land upon the Shore of his Father's Kingdom, with such Forces as His Nully. present Majesty had with him: And if this be admitted, I am sure His Reign in his own Right is foretold; for the Prophelie of that Person says, Regnum suum felicissime administrabit; and since Grebner speaks of one to Reign here after the Knight and the Nullus, it makes it highly probable, that he had a Foreknowledge of the Protectorship of Oliver

Cromwel, who was commonly known by the Name of Nol.

David Pareus, one would think, had seen the Person of the Prince of David Pareus Orange in a Divine Dream, as he was thought to have seen the City of uatus Anno Heidelburgh in Flames three Years before it hapned: Nor is he singular Heidelberge in calling his Hero a Grecian King; for Nostredamus called his the Anno 1622. AEmathien: either resembling him to Casar, who conquer'd Pompey in ennio ante per Greece, in the Emathien, or Pharsalian Fields; or else with respect to quietem vidis-

the future Progress of his Arms as far as Parens mentions.

Antonius Torquatus, wo wrote above Two hundred Years since, cendio fumilooks like an Historian fetting forth the great Changes and Occurren-gantem, Go. rences in Europe, during the two last Centuries, and not obscurely to Lex. describe the present Juncture of Affairs: Nor does his Northern Prince Ant. Torquatus de eversione seem to he other than the English-Belgick Lion.

feem to he other than the English-Belgick Lion.

2d. As to the rightful Power which this Nation had to contribute to-cated to Matwards the accomplishing of those Prophecies, which mark the late Prince thias king of Hungasy, Anno of Orange for King of England,

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particeps fit:

Not thinking it worth the while to refute the fond Notion of an Anno 1552. Absolute (a) Patriarchal Power, descending down from Adam to (a) See this excellently our Kings, in an unaccountable way; I shall take it for granted, well done that, as (b) Grotius has it, the Civitas is the common Subject of my Learned Power; this, in the most restrain'd sense, is meant of the People of Friend Mr. Legal Interests in the Government, according to the first Institution. in Patriarcha Yet if they are entitled to any fort of Magistracy, they become part non Monarcha. of his Subjectum proprium, the proper or particular Subject, or Seat of p. 52. Summe Power: Wherefore I take his Cives to be the same with Pufendorf's potestatis Subjedium Commune est Civitas. Vid. Schellium de Jure Imperii, p. 32. Plato Політич в таб definit eum qui judiciorum & magistratuum

Hoffmanni

V. Sacrosanet. regum Majest.

Potestas designativa per-sonæ, do collativa potestatis.

tus est reipublica naturalis ut hominis.

Sam. Puffend. Quorum coitione & consensu primo civitas coaluit, aut qui in illorum locum de Oficio homi- successerunt, nempe patres familias, "By whose Conjunction and Connis de Civis, "Gent the Civit's criety for come together and Con-Gent the Civil Society first came together, or they who succeeded in

"to their Rooms, to wit, the Fathers of Families.

And the most sensible of them who deny this, as fighting against their fansied Divine Right of Kingship, own, that the People have in many Cases a Right to design the Person, if not to confer the Power ; only these Men will have it, that the Extent of the Power of a King, as King, is ascertained by God himself; which I must needs say, I could never yet find prov'd with any colour. But to avoid a Dispute Nullus interri- needless here, since the Question is not so much of the Extent of Power, as of the Choice of Persons; Whether any Choice is allowable for us, must be determin'd by the fundamental or subsequent Cicero de Rep. Contract, either voluntary or imposid by Conquest; and 'tis this which must resolve us, whether the Government shall continue Eleclive, or Hereditary to them that stand next in the Course of Nature, guided to a certain Channel by the Common Law of Descents, or limit ted only to the Blood, with a Liberty in the People to prefer which

they think most fit, all Circumstances considered.

And if our Constitution warrants the last, then we may cut the Gordian Knot, and never trouble our selves with Difficulties about a Demise, or Cession from the Government, or Abdication of it; for which way soever the Throne is free from the last Possessor, the People will be at liberty to fet up the most deserving of the Family, unless there be subsequent Limitations by a Contract yet in force, between Prince and People, which being dissolv'd, no Agreements take place but fuch as are among themselves: In which Case, whatever ordinary Rule they have set themselves, they may alter it upon weighty Considerations: And that it is lawful for the People of England at this time to renounce their Allegiance sworn to J. 2. and to prefer the most deserving of the Blood, notwithstanding any Oaths or Recognitions taken, or made by them, I shall evince, not only from the Equiry of the Law, and Reservations necessarily imply'd in their Submisfion to a King; but from the very Letter, explain'd by the Practice of the Kingdom, both before the reputed Conquest, and since.

1. For the Equity and referved Cases, I think it appears in the na-Reservations. ture of the thing, that they for whose benefit the Reservation is, must

Vid. Earl of Clarendon's Survey of the Leviathan, p. 86. speaking of a Contract whereby the absolute Power of Mens Lives shall be submitted, &c. He is not bound by the Command of his Sovereign to execure any dangerous or dishonourable Offices; but in fuch Cases Men are not to resort so much to the Words of the Submission, as to the Intention: Which Distinction surely may be as applicable to all that monstrous Power which he gives his Governour, to take away the Lives and Estates of his Subjects, with-

be the Judges; as in all Cases of Necessiaty, he who is warranted by the Necessity, must judge for himself before he acts; the whether he acts according to that Warrant or no, may be referr'd to an higher Examen: but where the last resort is, there must be the Judgment; which of necessary consequence, in these Cases, must out any Cause or Reason, upon an imaginary Contract, which if never so real, can never be supposed to be with the Intention of the Contractor in such ing of their Exercise of their Original Power; and where they have by a gene-

V. Cocceium de ral Concurrence past the final Sentence, in this Case their Voice is as Principe, pag. the Voice of God, and ought to be submitted to.

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fundamentales regni vel imperii que vel diserte paste sunt cum Principe antequam imperium ineat, ut sit hodie cum imperatore (quamvis non ad eum modum jura Majestatis possideat quo olimPrincipes) (or plerisque alius in regnis vel sub isso regimine a Principe of populo vel ordinibus conduntur, ut est aurea bulla Carol 4. Or alia quadam in imperio Romano-germanico vel saltem tacità reipublica inesse videntur.

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For the direction of their Judgment in such Cases, they need not confult Voluminous Authors, but may receive sufficient Light from those excellent Papers; The Enquiry into the Present State of Affairs; The Grounds and Measures of Submission; and, The Brief Justification of the Prince of Orange's Descent into England, and of the Kingdom's late Recourse to Arms.

Which I shall here only confirm by some Authorities.

The first, as being of most Credit among them who raise the greatest Dust, shall be Bishop Sanderson, Of the Obligation of an Oath; sanderson de who shews several Exceptions or Conditions, which of Common furamential obligations, palenting the state of the obligation of the Right are to be understood before an Oath can oblige; in which I shall ligatione, p.41. not confine my self to the Order in which he places them.

1. " If God permit, because all things are subject to the Divine Pro-"vidence and Will; nor is it in any Man's power to provide against " future Accidents: Wherefore he who did what lay in him to per-

"form what he promis'd, has discharg'd his Oath.

2. "Things remaining as they now are, Whence he who swore to marry "any Woman, is not oblig'd, if he discovers that she is with Child by

These two Exceptions sufficiently warrant Submission to such Government as God in his Providence shall permit, notwithstanding Oaths to a former King: And if he cease to treat his People as Subjects, the Obligation which was to a Legal King determines, before his actual Withdrawing from the Government,

3. " As far as we may; as if one swear indefinitely to observe all "Statutes and Customs of any Community, he is not oblig'd to observe

"them farther than they are lawful and honest.

4. "Saving the Power of a Superior: Whence if a Son in his Father's "Family swear to do a Thing lawful in it self, but the Father not "knowing it, commands another thing, which hinders the doing that which is fworn; he is not bound by his Oath, because by the Di-"vine Natural Law he is bound to obey his Father. And he who has fworn not to go out of his House, being cited to appear before "a Lawful Judge, is bound to go out, notwithstanding his Oath; "the Reason is, because the Act of one, ought not to prejudice the "Right of another.

These two last Instances, added to the Consideration of a Legal Vid. Stat. 13 King, will qualifie the Oath declaring it not lawful, upon any pretence car. 2. c. 1. what soever, to take Arms against the King, and abhorring the Traiterous Position, of taking Arms by his Authority against his Person, or against

those that are Commissioned by him.

This I think I may fay, with warrant from Bishop Sanderson, That vid. infra. no Man is bound by this Oath to act against Law, under colour of the King's Commission; nor to permit such Actions, if it be in his power to hinder them; the Common Fundamental Law being in this Case v. Grounds the Superior which he is to obey, and which is to explain and limit the and Measures Sense of Acts of Parliament seeming to the contrary.

To Bishop Sanderson, I may add Grotius, who runs the Prerogative suprema lex. of Kings as far as any Man in reason can: Yet he allows of reserved Vid. Johannis Cases, in which Allogiance man be a selected of the contrary. Cases, in which Allegiance may be withdrawn, tho' there is no express notata ad Grot.

Letter of Law for it: As,

r. "Where

1. "Where the People being yet free, command their future King Belli & Pacis, " by way of continuing Precept. Whether there be any such with us, can be c. 3. p. 60. Vid. Pufendorf no doubt to them who read the Coronation Oaths from time to time re-Elementa Ju- quired and taken, upon Elections of some Kings, and the receiving others, ris prud. p. by reason of prior Elections, and Stipulations with their Predecessors. teri potest quid efficaciter injungere per modum pracepti in quem nihil potestatis legitima habet.

lia. Vid. Leges S. Edwardi.

Grot. c. 4. p. 86.

2. If a King has abdicated or abandon d his Authority, or hadrehabet pro derefeltly holds it as derelict, indeed, he fays, he is not to be thought to
have done this, who only manages his Affairs negligently. But furely
no Man can think but the Power of J. 2. is derelict.

And he cites three Cases, wherein even Barclay, the most zealous
Asserter of Kingly Power, allows Reservations to the People.

If the King treats his People with outragious Cruelty.
 If with an hostile Mind he seek the Destruction of his People.

3. If he alien his Kingdom. This Grotius denies to have any effect, and therefore will not admit among the referved Cases: But if no Act which is ineffectual in Law, will justifie the withdrawing Allegiance, then none of the other Instances will hold; for to that purpose they are equally ineffectual: Yet who doubts, but the King doing what in him lies to alien his Kingdom, gives Pretence for Foreign Usurpations, as King John did to the Pope's? And whoever goes to restore the Vid. Bellarmine Authority of the See of Rome here, be it only in Spirituals, endeavors how the Pope to put the Kingdom under another Head than what our Laws establish, hooks in Temporals in ordia and to that purpose aliens the Dominion: Nor can it be any great Question, but the aliening any Kingdom or Country, part of the Dominion of England, will fall under the same Consideration; which will
bring the Case of Ireland up to this, where the Protestants are disarm'd,

and the Power which was arm'd for the Protection of the English there, is put into the Hands of the Native Papilts; so that it is not likely to be

restor'd to its Settlement at home, or dependence upon England, without great Expence of Blood and Treasure.

Even the Author of Jovian owns, that the King's Law is his most Jovian, p. 280. 16. p.192,193. authoritative Command; and he denies that the Roman Emperour had any Right to enslave the whole People, by altering the Constitution of the Roman Government, from a Civil into a Tyrannical Dominion; or from a Government wherein the People had Liberty and Property, into Such a Go-

vernment as the Persian was, and the Turkish now is, &c. Tho' by the Vid. Just. Inst. Roman Lex Regia, which himself takes notice of, the People had transquum lege re- ferred all their Power to the Emperor, yet we see the highest Asserter

già que de im- of Imperial Power allows of Reservations.

perio ejus lata

est populus ei & in enm omne imperium suum & potestatem concedat. Vid. Revardum de Juru ambiguitatibus. Lib 4.

c. 12. de Jure publico.

Bilfon of Chri-

"If, says Bishop Bisson, a Prince should go about to subject his ftian Subjecti- "Kingdom to a Foreign Realm, or change the Form of the Commonon, Ed. 1586. "Wealth from Imperie to Tyranny, or neglect the Laws established by "Common Consent of Prince and People, to execute his own Pleasure; in these and other Cases, which might be named, if the Nobles and "Commons join together to defend their ancient and accustomed Li-"berty, Regiment, and Laws, they may not well be accounted Re-And soon after he speaks of a Power for preserving the Foundation, Freedom, and Form of their Commonwealths, which they foreprized,

when they first consented to have a King. Where his meaning cannot be restrain'd to express Provisions, excluding such as may be equitably intended. And, not to heap Authorities, with this agrees the Divine Plato, who after he has affirm'd, that the highest Degrees of Punishment Platonia Pelisium f. 200 belong to those who will misguide a Ship, or prescribe a dangerous Ed. Serrani. new way of Physick, having brought in Socrates asking whether Ma- 'Our Er by gistrates ought not to be subject to the like Laws, himself asks, "What Start is the "to a certain Form, and fet over the Laws themselves, one either chose we have "by the Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People, or by Lot, who flighting the Laws, The Suffrages of the People of the "fhall for the sake of Lucre, or to gratifie his Lust, not knowing what 'Es x our "is fit, attempt to do things contrary to the Institution: ζομων ένασον γη νεως την εἰςημερίων, κὸ τοῖς συγράμμασην δλίσα είν ήμων τ χειερονη Βέτλα, η λαχόνλα εκ τύκης.

This Man, both he and Socrates condemn, as a greater Criminal than those which he had mention'd, whose Crime he aggravates, as 'tis an acting against those Laws, which thro' a long Experience had been ordain'd by their Counsel and Industry, who had opportunely and duly weighed every thing, and had prevail'd upon the People to submit to

2d. To proceed to Positive Law, I shall shew how the Contract between Prince and People stood, and hath been taken, both before the

reputed Conquest, and since: Where 'twill appear,

1. That Allegiance might and may in some Cases be withdrawn, in the Life-time of one who continued King until the occasion of such

withdrawing, or Judgment upon it. 2. That there was, and is, an establish'd Judicature for this, without need of recurring to that Equity, which the People are suppos'd

to have reserv'd.

2. That there has been no absolute Hereditary Right to the Crown of England, from the beginning of the Monarchy; but that the People have had a Latitude for setting up whom of the Blood they pleas'd, upon the determination of the Interest of any particular Person, except where there has been a Settlement of the Crown in force.

4. That they were lately restored to such Latitude.

1. If the King, not observing his Coronation-Oath in the main, lose the Name of King, then no Man can fay that Allegiance continues: But that so it was before the reputed Conquest, appears by the Confest V. Leges San-Ri Edwardi, for's Laws, where they declare the Duty of the King.

"But the King, because he is Vicar to the Supreme King, is constitution."

"ted to this end, that he should rule his earthly Kingdom, and the "People of God; and above all, should reverence God's Holy Church, "and defend it from injurious Persons, and pluck from it Wrong-

"doers, and destroy and wholly ruine them; which unless he does, Nec nomen Re-" not so much as the Name of King will remain in him, &c.

Vid. Bracton, l. 2. c. 24. Est enim corona regis facere justitiam de judicium de tenere pacem sine quibus corona consistere non potest nec tenerc.

Hoveden shews how this was receiv'd by William 1. "The King and his Deputy (or Locum tenens in his absence) is vicarius ejus. " constituted to this end, &c. in substance as above: Which unless he Nota, There for naming the Deputy, by reason of the accession of Normandy, requiring the King's absence sometimes.

does, the true Name of King will not remain in him. And, as the Confessor's Laws have it, (in which there is some mistake in the Transcriber of Hoveden otherwise agreeing with them) Pope John witnesses, That he loses the Name of King, who does not what belongs to a King: which is no Evi-

Fit the Case dence that this Doctrine is deriv'd from the Pope of Rome: The Pope of Rehoboam, only confirms the Constitution, or gives his Approbation of it, perhaps Quotation out that the Clergy of those Times might raise no Cavils from a supposed of Lord cla- Divine Right. And to shew that this is not only for violating the Rights of the Church, the Confessor's Laws inform us, that Pipin, and Charles his Son, not yet Kings, but Princes under the French King, foolishly wrote to the Pope, asking him, if the Kings of France ought to remain Lambert, Qui content with the bare Name of King? By whom it was answer'd, They vigilanter de- are to be called Kings, who watch over, defend, and rule God's Church and fendunt de re- his Dooble de Harradais Transferid

gunt Ecclesiam his People, &c. Hoveden's Transcriber gives the same in substance; Dei de popu-lum ejus. but, thro' a miserable mistake in Chronology, will have it, that the Letter was wrote by Pipin and his Son to W. I. Lambart's Version of St. Edward's Laws goes on to Particulars, among others, That the King is to keep without diminution all the Lands, Honours, Dignities, Rights, and Libertie's of the Crown; That he is to do all things in his Kingdom Barones Majo- according to Law, and by the Judgment of the Proceres, or Barons of res of Mino- the Realm; and these things he is to swear before he is Crown'd.

promitto populo Christiano me-

By the Coronation-Oaths before the reputed Conquest and since, f. 62. Ego tria all agreeing in Substance, every King was to promise the People three

isque subditis,

r. That God's Church, and all the People in the Kingdom, shall en-(a) Nota, Pro. joy true (a) Peace.

2. That he will forbid Rapine, and all Injustice, in all Orders of Men.

3. That he will promise and command Justice and Mercy in all Judgments.

Bracton, lib. 3.

Fleta, lib. 1.

Mirror, p. 8.

c. 17.

And tis observable, That Bracton, who wrote in the time of H. 3. transcribes that very Formulary, or rather Abridgment of the Oath, which was taken by the Saxon Kings. In Bracton's time, 'tis certain, the Oath was more explicit, tho' reducible to those Heads; and 'tis observable, that Bracton says, The King is Created and Elected to this end, that he should do Justice to all. Where he manifestly shews the King's Oath to be his part of a binding Contract, it being an Agreement with the People, while they had power to chuse. With Bracton agrees Fleta, and both inform us, that in their days there was no scruple in calling him a Tyrant, and no King, who oppresses his People violatà dominatione, as one has it; or violentà, as the other; either

the Rule of Government being violated, or with a violent Government; both of which are of the like import.

The Mirrour at least puts this Contract out of dispute; shewing the very Institution of the Monarchy, before a Right was vested in any single Family, or Person: "When forty Princes, who had the Supreme Power here, chose from among them a King to Reign over them, and govern the " People of God, and to maintain the holy Christian Faith, and to defend their C. Persons and Goods in quiet, by the Rules of Right. And at the beginning they caused the King to swear, That he will maintain the holy Christian " Faith with all his Power, and will rule his People justly, without regard to " any Person, and shall be obedient to suffer Right or Justice, as well as

others his Subjects. And what that Right and Justice was in the last refult, the Confessor's Laws explain, when they shew, that he may lose vid. Seld, the Name of King. These Laws were not only receiv'd by William I. Spicel.ad Endand in the Codex of the Laws of H. I. but were the Laws which in merum f. 171. the early Contests which the Barons had with their encroaching Kings, tam, f. 519.

they always urg'd to have maintain'd; and that their Sanction might Leges H. 1. not be question'd, the Observance of them was made part of the Co-confirming ronation-Oath, till some Archbishops, careful only of their Clerical St. Edward's Laws, cum illis Rights, provided for no more of those Laws than concerned them.

meus emendavit confilio Baronum suorum. Vid. Mat. Par. f. 243. Barones petierunt de Rege Johanne quasdam libertates de leges Regis Edwardi, f. 244. partim in carta regis Henrici scripta sunt partimque ex legibus Regis Edwardi antiquis excerpta sunt.

By that Oath which is upon Record, and in ancient Prints, the King Vid. Ruftim. is to swear to grant, keep, and confirm, among others, especially the Coronation of Laws, Customs, and Freedoms granted the Clergy and People by the most C. I. Sir, says glorious and holy King Edward. And even after the King's taking the Archbithis Oath, they were to be ask'd if they would consent to have him their you grant and King, and Leige-lord? Which is the Peoples part of the Contract; and keep, and by thus the Contract becomes mutual. To which purpose the Learned consum to the Sir Henry Spelman cites Cujacius, the great Civilian, to shew, that Faith People of Engbetween a Lord and Vassal is reciprocal; and gives an Instance in the land, the Laws and Customs Oath of one of our Saxon Kings, Knute, for the proof of its being to to them granhere between King and Subject.

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Land, your Lawful and Religious Predecessors, namely, the Laws, Customs, and Franchises granted to the Clergy by the glorious King St. Edward, your Predecessor? V. Rot. Claus. 1 R. 2. n. 44. Magna Carta Ed. cum priv. Anno 1558. Juramentum Regis quando coronatur. Spelman's Glos. tit. Fidelitas, f. 271.

And with Cujacius agrees the no less judicious Civilian Pufendorf. Sam. Puf. de When, fays he, the Power is conferr'd upon a King, there is a mutual Interregnia, p. "Translation of Right, and a reciprocal Promise.

fertur imperi-

um est mutua juris translatio, seu reciproca promissio.

If it be objected, That tho' this was at the beginning a Contract with a Free People, it ceas'd to be so from the time of the Conquest: I answer;

I. Till there be a Consent and Agreement to some Terms of Go-Vid. Templum verning and Subjection, 'twill be difficult, if possible, to prove any Deditio off partial to the Conqueror, but what may be cast off as soon as there is supposed below an Opportunity.

tandi ergo potestati alterius sese submittit & in jura aliena transit Dividi potest in simplicem sive purum quando quis mero victoris arbitrio sese submittit: & compositum sive conditionatum, quando alterius quidem potestati quis sese subjicit, sed sub conditionibus quibus aut singuli sibi consulunt, aut toti universitati. So Textoris Synopsis jurisgentium, p. 129. Victoria vel pactione restricta est vel absoluta; specie priori non plus juris victor acquirit, quam ei pacto suit concessum.

2. William 1. was not receiv'd as a Conqueror, but upon a mutual Contract, upon which old Historians say, Fædus pepigit, "He made a sim. Dunelm. "League with the People; which comes to the same thing with what f. 195. Hoved. the Holy Writ records of King David, "That the People made a 2 Sam. 5.3. "League with him.

His Coronation-Oath was the same with that which was taken by his Lord Claren-Saxon Predecessors, except that the Circumstances of that time requir'd don's Survey of the Leviaan additional Clause for keeping an equal Hand between English and than, p. 109.

French. Tis not to be doubted, but that the Norman Casuists in- 67 148, 149.

Equation Agree 148, 149. form'd him, that this related only to Legal Justice; but that in Matters

of Grace and Favour, he was left at large. How much soever he might have strain'd in this or other Matters, I am sure he was far from acting so arbitrarily as some have industriously represented him; I will not fay, on purpose to encourage such Actions in other Princes: And it is yet more certain, that whatever Right either he or any body under him enjoy'd, came from the Compact, not from the Breach of Faith.

3. If William 1. did gain the Right of a Conqueror, it was Personal, and he never exacted this for his Heirs, as appears not only by his Declaration when he came to die, but by the Fealty or Oath of Alle-

W. 1. de fide O obsequio ergiance which he required in his Laws.

The King's Oath is the real Contract on his fide; and his accepting the Government as a legal King, the virtual one; and so it is vice versa, in relation to the Allegiance due from the Subject.

Jovian, p. 244.

Thus far the Author of Jovian is in the right; " As in the Oath of "Allegiance the People swear nothing to the King, but what they are bound Vid. Dr. Stil- " to perform unsworn; so the King, in his Coronation-Oath, promises nolingfl. Ireni-"thing to the People, but what in Instice and Equity he is bound to perform cum, p. 132, "unsworn. Upon which account I will yield to Saravias, That in He-133. Saravia de reditary Kingdoms the Coronation-Oath confers no new Right; and Imperii authotherefore there may be a King before his Coronation: Yet we must Grotius de Ju- attend to Grotius his Rule, who rightly observes, That Succession is re Bellidy Pa. only a Continuance of that Power which the Predecessor had: So that if the cit, p. 59. Suc- God De Grotius and the Predecessor had: first Possession comes into Power qualified by express Contract, this cessio non est sirst Possessior comes uno rower quantital of the sir to be thought to come in upon those fed veteris con- Terms.

Lord Clarendon's Survey, p. 74. "The Description which Samuel made of the exorbitant Power of Kings, was rather to terrifie "them from pursuing their soolish Demand, than to constitute such a Prerogative as the King should use whom "God would appoint to go in and out before them: Which methinks is very manifest, in that the worst of Kings "that ever reigned among them, never challeng'd or assumed these Prerogatives; nor did the People conceive them selves liable to those Impositions, as appears by the Application they made to Rehoboam, on the Death of Solomon, "That he would above some of that Rigour his Father had exercis'd toward them; the rash rejection of which, contrary to the Advice of his wisest Counsellors, cost him the greater part of his Dominions; and when Rehoboam would by Arms have reduc'd them to Obedience, God would not suffer him, because he had been in the fault himself. Lord Claren-

One of the Terms, as appears by the Mirrour, was, That the King should suffer Right, or Justice, as well as his Subjects: And St. Edward's Sword, called the Curtein, carried before our Kings at their Coronations, was in the time of H. 3. a known Emblem, and Remembrancer of this: But surely whoever us'd that, or a Judicial Power in such Cases as above, how much soever they continued their Allegiance to the King's Authority, could not be faid to retain it to his Person.

in signum quod Comes est Palatinus & regem si oberret habeat de jure potestatem cohibendi.

2. There was, and is an establish'd Judicature for the great Case in question, as is imply'd by St. Edward's Laws, which suppose some Judge or Judges in the Case; and, investing the Process with the Supreme Judicature, with-holds not this from them. However, 'tis certain, the Parliament 9 R. 2. referr'd to a known Statute, when they mind him of an ancient one not long before put in practice; "whereby, if "the King, thro' a foolish Obstinacy, contempt of his People, or per"verse froward Will, or any other irregular way, shall alienate him"self from his People, and will not be govern'd and regulated by the "Rights of the Kingdom, and the Statutes and laudable Ordinances made " by the Council of the Lords, and the Peers of the Realm; but shall hea-

Matth. Paris, Edit. Lond. f. 563. Comi-te Cestrie gladium Saniti Edwardi, qui Curtein dicitur, ante Re-gem bajulante

Vid. infr.

Vid. Leges

ga regem.

Knighton, f. 2683 meanof E. 2.

"thenceforth it is lawful for them, with the common Assent and Consent "of the People of the Realm, to depose him from the Throne, &c. This Law is not now extant, but was not then deny'd; and the Reason why it is not to be found, is very evident, from the Articles against this King some Years after: In the 24th Article they accuse him of causing "the Rolls and Records concerning the State and Government of his Knighton, so "Kingdom to be destroyed and rased, to the great prejudice of the 1752.

"Kingdom to be destroyed and rased, to the great prejudice of the "People, and disherison of the Crown of the said Kingdom; and this, as is credibly believ'd, in sayour and support of his evil Governance."

"as is credibly believ'd, in favour and support of his evil Governance.

The Mirror tells us, That of right the King must have Companions Mirror, p. 9. to hear and determine in Parliament all Writs and Plaints of Wrong

done by the King, &c.

And the Learned Hornius cites the Speculum Saxonicum, of the like Hornii orbis Name and Nature with our Mirror; the Author of which last, was of imperans, p. his own Name: The Saxon Mirror, as he says, was wrote before the 196. Normans came hither.

"The Justices, or private Persons, says he out of the Speculum, nei- Hornius, p. 196.

"ther ought nor can dispute of the Acts of Kings; yet the King has "Superiors in ruling the People, who ought to put a Bridle to him: "And, Hornius says, the old Saxon Lawyers limit that Maxim, The "King has no Peer, to wit, in exhibiting Justice; but in receiving Ju-

"ftice, they say, he is the least in his Kingdom.

takes in all that come up to Parliament from the Counties.

This puts a necessary Limitation to that Maxim, That the King can do no Wrong; that is, not to be adjudged so by Judges Commissaries, or Commission'd Judges, which the Mirror uses in contradistinction vid. Mirror, p. to Judges Ordinary, sitting by an Original Power; yet this does not 209. He there in the least interfere with the Judicial Power of the High Court of says, Suitors are Judges or Parliament; and it may be a question, whether that Maxim, as received dinaires; and in the Courts of Justice, is ever taken to reach farther than, either in 274. speaks of Counties, or les autres Suitors, having Jurisdiction in Causes which the King cannot determine by himself, or by his Judges relation

relation to the Remedies which private Persons may there have against ment in Hampden's C. imprison any Man, because no Action of False Imprisonment will lie p. 59. What- against him; or rather because of the inessectualness in Law of his to the hurt or wrong of the Subject of the Subj

wrong of the Subjects, and against the Laws of the Land, the Law impute th that Honour and Justice to the King, whose Throne is established by Justice, that it is not done by the King, but it is done by some unsound and unjust Information, and therefore void, and not done by Prerogative.

But what the Nation, or its Great Councils have thought of such Acts, will appear by a long Series of Judgments, from time to time past and

executed upon some of their Kings.

Chronica de Long before the reputed Conquest, Sigibert King of the West-Saxons Mailros,f. 137. becoming intolerable by his insolent Actions, was expell'd the King-Bromton, f. 770. dom; and Bromton shews, that this was done in a Judicial manner, by Congregati sunt the unanimous Consent and Deliberation of the Peers and People; that is, in the Language of latter Ages, by Lords and Commons in full Parliament. Populus totius

providà deliberatione a regno unanimi confensu omnium expellebant.

Chron. Mailros, f. 138. Anno 5. Dunelm. 106. 6 107. consensu omnium regie of principum de-stitutus socie-(a) Ib. f. 108.

And eighteen Years after, Alcred, King of the Northanimbrians, that is, Northumberland, and other adjacent Counties, was banish'd, and divefted of his Soveraignty, by the Counsel and Consent of all his Subjects.

(a) Five Years after this, their King Ethelred was driven from the Throne and Kingdom, for treacherously procuring the Death of three of his Great Men, Alwlf, Cynwlf, and Ecga. Within fifteen Years after this, the People having without Example called back Ethelred from Exile, slew him without any allowable Precedent, and set up in his stread Oshald a Nobleman, none of the Boyal Stock; and he not an tate exilio im- stead Osbald a Nobleman, none of the Royal Stock; and he not anfwering their Expectation, they depos'd him in twenty eight days.

Anno 779. Mailros, Anno 794. f. 139. S. Dunelm. f. 113.

Mailros.f. 141. Anno 806. Ibid. f. 143. Anno 866. degenerem. Ibid. 144. 872.

long without chusing any. Sixty Years after they depos'd their King Osbrich, and chose Ella, who still swerv'd from the Ends of Government. Six Years after they expell'd their King Egbert. For fixty nine Years the Kings and their People agreed, without coming to any Extremities; but then they renounc'd the Allegiance sworn to King Ed-F. 148.947. mund, and chose Aulas King of Norway for their King. Aulas had not reigned fix Years, when they drove him away; and tho they receiv'd him again, they foon cast him off again, and swore Allegiance to the English King Edred: Then they rejected him, and chose Egric a Dane, with whom their independent Monarchy expir'd, and turn'd into the Government of Earls.

Twelve Years after they deposed their King Eardulf, and remain'd

F. 149. 941.

I would not be thought to mention those numerous Examples with the least approbation; 'tis certain, they argue great Levity in rejecting, or Folly in chusing. But if we are believ'd to receive many Laws and Customs from the Germans, from whom we are more remotely deriv'd, much more may the English Monarchy be thought to partake of the Customs of the contiguous Kingdoms which compose it; and by this frequent Practice the Members of it were sufficiently prepar'd to understand that part of the Compact, whereby the Prince was oblig'd to suffer Right as well as his Subjects; and that if he did not answer

the Ends for which he had been chosen, he was to lose the Name of Vid. Mirror, de King.

Either these Examples, or rather the continual Engagements in War with Foreigners, had such effect, that from this time, to the Entrance of W. 1. excepting the Case of King Edwin, (Nephew to the English vid. Knighton, Monarch Edred) who was driven out of the Kingdom Anno 957. f. 2312. I find nothing of the like nature: A King was but a more splendid General; nor could he hope to maintain his Dignity, but by hardy Actions, and tender usage of his People: their extraordinary Power had slept but for few Years after the Death of the reputed Conqueror, till the time of King Stephen, the third Successor from Bromton, f. W. I. who after Allegiance sworn to him, had it a while withdrawn 1031. for Mand the Empress; but the People soon return'd to it again, rejecting her who was nighest in Blood, because she denied them the Benefit of St. Edward's Laws. This Power of the People to be sure was rous'd by the extravagant Proceedings of King John; upon which Mat. Par. Ed. the Earls and Barons of England, without the Formality of Summons Tig. st. 243. from the King, give one another notice of meeting; and after a long Anno 1214. private Debate, they agreed to wage War against him, and renounce his Allegiance, if he would not confirm their Liberties; and agreed upon another Meeting, for a peremptory Demand; declaring, That if he then refus'd them, they would compel him to Satisfaction, by taking his Castles: Nor were they worse than their words, and their Resolutions had for a while their desir'd Effect, in obtaining a Confirmation of their Liberties; but the Pope foon abfolv'd the King, and encourag'd him to the violation of them, till they stoutly casting off the Authority both of King and Pope, proceeded to the Election of another King, Lewis the Dauphin of France: But the Dauphin assuming 16. f. 277, a Power not brook'd in the English Government, upon the Death of King John, they set up his Son H. 3. and without any solemn Depofing of Lewis, compell'd him to renounce his Pretensions. Henry treading in his Father's steps, had many unhappy Contests with his Barons; and having call'd in numbers of Foreigners, they sent him a solemn Message, That unless he would remove those troublesom Guests, they would all, by a Common Council of the whole Realm, drive him and Mat. Par. f. his wicked Counsellors out of the Kingdom, and would consider of making 373. a new King. Upon this both Sides had recourse to Arms, and neither valued the others Judicial Sentence; but for certain the Sentence threatned H. 3. was executed upon his Grandson E. 2. who was formally depos'd in Parliament for his Misgevernment; whose Case, with walsingham, f. his next Successor's but one, R. 2. by what I have observed before, ap-107. Rex digpear to have been no Novelties in England. Nor was it long before abdicant to the like was again put in practice more than once: H. 6. being a weak filius substituimissed Prince, gave occasion to Richard Duke of York, whose Line was put by, to cover his Designs for restoring the elder Family, with the Pretence of Redressing Publick Grievances: The Crown he Hollingshead, was so far from pretending to at first, that himself swore Allegiance f. 637. to H. 6. in a very particular manner: But having afterwards an Ad-1bid. f. 639, vantage given, by the Divisions of them who had driven him out of 640. the Land, he in a fortunate Hour, with lucky Omens, as was believ'd, A Crown over challeng'd the Crown as his Right; upon which there was an Agree- a Branch of Lights in the House of Commons, and another from the top of Dover-Castle, falling about the same time. Ibid. f. 657.

H Mingshead, f. 559.

14. f. 661.

15id. 675.

Ibid. f. 678.

Toid. f. 693.

Vid. Justin. Pandec. l. 1.

tit. 3. Nulla juris ratio aut æquitatus be-

ment ratified in Parliament, That H. 6. should enjoy it during his Life, and R. and his Heirs after him. And the Richard Duke of York, and his Son Edward, afterwards E. 4. had sworn, That H. 6. should enjoy the Royal Dignity during Life, without trouble from them, or either of them; yet Richard having been treacherously slain by the Queen's Army, immediately after the solemn Pacification, Edward, at the Petition of some of the Bishops and Temporal Lords,

took upon him the Charge of the Kingdom, as forfeited to him by breach of the Covenant establish d in Parliament. Yet this gave him no sure Settlement; for the Popularity of the Earl of Warwick drove him out of the Kingdom, without striking a Stroke for it: Upon which H. 6. was again restor'd to his Kingly Power, and Edward was in Parliament declared a Traytor to the Country, and an Usurper of the Realm, the Settlement upon R. and his Heirs revok'd, and the Crown entail'd upon

H. 6. and his Heirs Males, with Remainders over, to secure against Edward's coming to the Crown: Yet the Death of the Earl of Warwick having in effect put an end to King Henry's Power, he was soon taken Prisoner, and put to death, as his Son had been before; and then Edward procures a Consirmation in Parliament, of the Settlement, under which he enjoy'd the Crown. Thus as the Power of the People, or Great ones of Interest with them, turn'd the Scales from time to time; so 'twas their Consent which fixt them at last, during the

ently, neither can now be of any moment, by reason of the Oath re-stat. 13 Car. 2. quir'd by several Statutes declaring it not lawful, upon any Pretence what-Stat. 13 do and abhorring the Traiterous Po-Stat. 13 do and abhorring the Traiterous Po-14 Car. 2. c. 3. sition, of taking Arms by his Authority against his Person. And 2. The Clause in the Statute 12 Car. 2. whereby it is declared.

The Clause in the Statute 12 Car. 2. Whereby it is declar'd, That by the undoubted and fundamental Laws of this Kingdom, neither the Peers of this Realm; nor the Commons, nor both together, in Parliament, or out of Parliament, nor the People, Collectively or Representatively, nor any other Persons what soever, had, have, hath, or ought to have, any Coercive Power over the Persons of the Kings of this Realm.

I shall not here insist, in answer to the first, on the necessity of a Commission, and a King, continuing Legal in the Exercise, as well as Possession of Power; nor the difference between the Traiterous Acts of fingle Persons, and the Revolt of a Nation; nor yet upon the Authority of the Common Law, whereby a Constable, or other Officer chose by the People, may act without any Authority from the King.

nignitas patitur, ut que salubriter pro utilitate hominum introducuntur, ea nos duriore interpretatione contra inforum com-modum producamus ad severnatem.

And for the latter, as Coertion is restrain'd to the Person of the King, the declaring against that, is not contrary to the Authorities for discharging Allegiance by a Judicial Sentence, or otherwise, by vertue of equitable and supposed Reservations; provided a tender Regard to the Person be still observ'd: But if Proceedings to free our selves from his Authority, fall under this Coertion, then I shall offer something which may remove both this and the other from being Objections to what I have above shewn.

To keep to what may equally reach to both Authorities:

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I shall not urge here, That these Statutes being barely Declaratory, Vid. Rot Parl. and enacting no Law for the future, introduce none; so that if the 39 H.6. n 18. Fundamental Laws shall appear to be otherwise, the Declarations do not supplant them: Nor yet to insist upon a Rule in the Civil Law, That the Commonwealth is always a Minor, and at liberty to renounce Vid. Cujacium, the Obligations which it has entred into against its Benefit, which is tom, 4. f. 154. the Supreme Law.

grum restituitur perinde ac pupillus vel adolescens, &c. Vid. Cic. de Legibus. Salus populi suprema lex esto Inter-Leges 12 Tabularum, of which Tacitus says, Accitis que usquam egregia, composite duodecim Tabule sinis equi juris. Tacitus Ed. Plant. p. 90.

But I shall stop their Mouths who object these Statutes, and maintain, That according to what themselves receive for Law, the Parliaments which enacted these Declarations, had no power so to do; and then the Law must stand as it did. For this let us first hear Mr. Sheringham,

whose Authority few of these Men dispute.

"They that lay the first Foundation of a Commonwealth, have sheringham of "Authority to make Laws that cannot be alter'd by Posterity, in Mat-the King's Su-"ters that concern the Rights both of King and People: For Foun-premacy, p. "dations cannot be remov'd, without the Ruine and Subversion of "the whole Building. Wherefore, admit the Acts had been duly made, according to him, they would be void, if the Fundamental Law were as I have shewn.

However, I am sure I can irrefragably prove to them who will not have a Nation sav'd without strict Form of Law, That the Parliament which made those Acts, had no Power at the time of making them,

being by the express Words of a former Statute repeal'd.

The Triennial Act, 16 Car. 1. provides in a way not easily to be defeated, not only for holding a Parliament once within Three Years at least, but that all Parliaments which shall be Prorogu'd or Ad- 16 Car. 1. journ'd, or so continued by Prorogation or Adjournment, until the Nota, There journ'd, or so continued by Prorogation or Adjournment, until the Nota, There Tenth of September which shall be in the third Year next after the last tempt to re-Day of the last Meeting and Sitting of the foregoing Parliament, shall be peal this till thenceforth clearly and absolutely dissolved. Now, say I, that Parliament 16 Car. 2. c. 1. which enacted these Laws, had sat beyond that Time; Ergo, &c. These were made in the Parliament next after the Convention which brought in the King, which they, I am fure, will not call a Parliament: Wherefore we must go back to the first Long Parliament, which, upon Brook tit. Comtheir own Rule, Rex est caput & sinis Parliamenti, was dissolved by mission, n. 21. the Death of C. 1. Anno 1648. notwithstanding the Act for making it with the cost of the c Perpetual, which indeed by the Words of it seems only to provide vid. Stat. against any Act of the King to the contrary, without their Consent; 17 Car. I. Eve-But by the Death of the King that Parliament lost the Being which be- ry thing or things done or fore it had, as it was under him when it was Parliamentum nostrum, the to be done, for Parliament of Charles the First, and so expired An. 1648. by Act in Law. the Adjournment, Proro-

guing, or Dissolving of this Parliament, contrary to this present Act, shall be utterly void.

And perhaps its own breaking up in Confusion before, was in Law Anno 1647. an Adjournment sine die, working a Dissolution; by either of which the Civil that Parliament was dissolv'd more than three Years before the Parlia- wars, f. 207. ment which made the Statute in question; which Parliament affembled An. 1661. and was ipso facto dissolv'd when it attempted to make those Statutes, it having been continued by Prorogation or Adjournment beyond the Tenth of September in the Third Year after the Dissolution

of the last Parliament of Charles the First, which was the next foregoing Legal Parliament, according to strict Form; for the Parliament which brought in C. 2. Anno 1660. was not summon'd by the King's Writs; consequently, the Parliament 1661. having no Power, after it had continued as above, whatever was the Ancient Law in this Matter, remains as it did before those Laws.

If it be Objected, That the Necessity of the Times had dispens'd

with the Letter of the Triennial Act, as to this Particular:

1. They who would plead these Statutes, cannot urge it, since they will not allow of greater Necessity to authorize the Maintaining and Restoring the Constitution: But surely however Necessity might support other Laws, it shall not such as alter the Constitution, but every Legal Advantage shall be taken for restoring it.

2. The Necessity was not absolute; for the First Parliament of Charles the Second might continue together as long as they could fit without Prorogation or Adjournment, and be good for a day at least, time enough to have repealed the former Statute as to that part, and

to qualifie themselves for a longer Continuance.

In short, They with whom our Dispute is, are either for the Unalterableness of Fundamentals, according to which, what I have shewn remains, notwithstanding all Efforts to the contrary; or else, all of a sudden, they have a mighty Zeal for the strict Letter of the Law, by which that Parliament, which endeavour'd to alter the Fundamental Contract, was ipso facto dissolv'd before such Attempt: However, fince the Question is not about a Coercive Power over Kings, but Quum aufertur barely concerning Allegiance to them, whenever he who was King cearatio jurament fes to be so, either by the Act of God, or the Law, the Obligation of Allegiance necessarily determines, as the subject Matter of it fails.

eventus; qui casus qui juraverunt se obedituros Domino aut Principi alicui, qui postea cessat esse talis. Amesius de Juramento,

But lest the Liberty allow'd in extraordinary Cases, be us'd as a cloak for maliciousness, I shall restrain it with the Authority of the Learned Pufendorf.

"In Contracts by which one is made subject to another, this has the

Sam. Pufendorf p. 272.

dicaverit.

dolo malo.

de Interregnis, "Right of Judging what the Subject is to perform, and has also a "Power conferr'd of compelling him to the Performance, if he re-"fuses; which Coercive Power is by no means reciprocal. Where-" fore he who rules, cannot be called in question for breaking his Conomnem reipub- "tract, unless he either wholly abdicate the Care of the Government, or lica cutam ab- " become of an hostile mind towards his People, or manifestly, with " evil Intention, depart from those Rules of Governing, upon the Ob-"fervance of which, as upon a Condition, the Subjects have suspended their Allegiance: Which is very easie for any one who Governs al-" ways to shun, if he will but consider, that the Highest of Mortals "are not free from the Laws of Humane Chance.

But that the Judicial Power of the People, so qualified as above, is not peculiar to England, might appear by the Customs of most neighbouring Nations: For Denmark, Swedeland, and Norway, which had anciently three distinct Negatives in the Choice of a King, I shall refer to Krantius, particularly in the remarkable Story of their King Erick, who was adopted Son of the Three Kingdoms, Anno 1411. he having provok'd

Krantii, Hist. Den. f. 186, 188.

his People, by the Outrages of his Officers and Soldiers, he was oppos'd with Force by one Engelbert, a Danish Nobleman, transmitted down to Posterity with the fair Character of engaging in the Publick Cause, neither out of love of Rule, nor greediness of Gain, but meer compassion to an opprest People. This so generous an Undertaking was so justly Popular, that Eric, not able to stem the Tide, withdrew from Denmark, the Place of his usual Residence, to Swedeland: But Engelbert's Noble Cause found so few Opposers there also, that the King, as a Pattern to J. 2. privately ran away, and recommended his Nephew in Krantius, f. his stead; but they told him plainly, he was made King by Adoption, 188. and had no Right to surrogate another: Him (there not being the inconsistency of a different Religion between the Head and Members of the same Body) they would have receiv'd again upon Terms; but he refusing, the Three Kingdoms unanimously chose one of another Family.

For the Authority of the People even in France, no longer since than the time of Lewis 11. Hottoman's Francogallia gives a large Anno 1460.

c. 23. De memorabili auctoritate concilii in Regem Ludovicum 11.

Nor is the Emperor of Germany more exempt; for the Golden Bull of C. 4. provides who shall sit as Judge or High-Steward, when he comes to be Impeach'd: And by that, the Palatine of the Rhine has the like Power with that which, Matthew Paris says, the Earl of Cibe-Mat. Par. sup. ster had here, as Count Palatine: Nor is this in the Empire sounded f. 563. meerly upon that Bull; for the Bull it self says, Sicut ex consuetudine introductum dicitur, "As 'tis said to have been introduc'd by Custom. And Freherus gives an Instance of this before that Bull, in the Case Freherus de of King Albert, whom they threatned to depose, for killing his Leige- Orig. Palatinarum, f. 113,

With Freherus agrees Gunterus, in his Octoviratus, who fays, That Gunteri Ibulethe Palatine of the Rhine, Major Domo to the Emperor, is by Custom marii Ottovi-Judge of the Emperor himself, or rather in the highest Matters declares the Sentence of the Electoral College: And he cites several Authors to Ibid. p. 251. prove the like Office or Power to have been in divers Kingdoms and Principalities; and names France, England, Arragon, Spain, Denmark, Poland, Bohemia, &c. And for France, Loyseau in effect shews this Loyseau du Power to have belong'd to their Maior du Palais; for he owns the droits des Offices, Ed. Ann Power to have been greater than the Roman Prafect of the Palace had; fices, Ed. Anno and yet he cites the Words of the Emperor Trajan, giving his Prafect Ibid. f. 410. a naked Sword, which he enjoyn'd him to use against him, if he misgoverned. And Loyseau says, That this dangerous Office was put down by the Kings of the Third Line, that they might perpetuate the Crown in their Family. This Office he supposes to have been split into the Conestable's, Chancellor's, Treasurer's, and the Grand Maistre's du France, or Count du Palais, which he seems to resemble to an High Steward with us.

And I meet with an old English Author, who faffirms almost such a Treatise of Power as is above-mention'd, to have belonged to the High-Conestable Politick Power of Final and . His Words are these of England: His Words are these.

" As God hath ordained Magistrates to hear and determine private "Matters, and to punish their Vices; so also will he that the Magistrates

"Doings be call'd to account and reck'ning, and their Vices corrected "and punished, by the Body of the whole Congregation, or Common-"wealth: As it is manifest by the Memory of the ancient Office of "High-Constable of England, unto whose Authority it pertained, not "only to fummon the King personally before the Parliament, or other "Courts of Justice, to answer and receive according to Justice, but "also, upon just occasion, to commit him to Ward.

3. There has been no Hereditary Right to the Crown of England by Proximity of Blood, from the Fundamental Contract; but the People have had a Latitude for the setting up whom of the Blood they pleas'd, upon the determination of the Interest of any particular Person, except where there has been a Settlement of the Crown in

The Kingdom, I own, is founded in Monarchy; and so is Poland, which yet is absolutely Elective: Nor is there any Consequence, that the Dissolution of the Contract between the immediate Prince and Vid. Sam. Pu- People; destroys the Form of Government; for that depends upon a tationes de In- prior Contract, which the People entred into among themselves: And, that by vertue of this, to avoid endless Emulations, Kings have generally, from the first Erection of the English Monarchy, been chosen out of the same Family, appears beyond contradiction.

I know some talk of a Birthright and Inheritance in the Crown, which Jovian, p. 78. is not founded in the Statutes, but on the Original Custom and Constitution

of the English Government, which is an Hereditary Monarchy, according to proximity of Blood.

But I would defire all Men of this Opinion, impartially to weigh

these following Particulars.

1. There was very anciently an Act made in a General Convention Anno 789.

Spel. Com. vol. of all England, in Conventu Pananglico, That their Kings should be ele1. f. 291. Cted by the Clergy, & senioribus populi, and the Elders of the People; that is, such as were Members in their Great Councils, or Witena Gemots, Assemblies of sage or wise Men. This, tho it was long before the reputed Conquest, yet was never repeal'd or cut off by the Sword, nay, seems receiv'd with the Confessor's Laws, as included in them: Which leads to another Head.

2. The Confessor's Law receiv'd by William 1. and continued downward, as the noblest Transcript of the Common Law, shews, that the Kings of England are elected, and the End for which they are chosen by the People: After the same manner do the ancient Historians and Lawyers commonly express Accessions to the Throne, and seem industriously to mind Kings of it, that, according to the Caution given Deut. 17. v. 20. the Fewish King, their hearts be not lifted up above their Brethren.

3. According to the Usage from before the reputed Conquest downwards, the People are ask'd, whether they are content to have such a

4. The most Absolute of the English Monarchs never believ'd, that their Children had a Right to the Crown, except the People consented Alfredi Test. that they should succeed; as appears by King Alfred's Will, and the

jus Vitam, f. 195. Et mecum tota nobilitas West Saxonica gentis consentiunt, quod me oportet dimittere ees ita liberos, sicut in homine cogitatio ipsius consistit.

cretum circa cto opus erit, quando constituuntur ille vel illi in quem vel in quos regimen catus confertur.

1b. Preface.

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Death-bed Declaration of William 1. And therefore some of our cand. Brit. Kings, against whom there has been no pretence of better Title in any first de W.1. particular Person or Family, when they stood upon good Terms with his regni contheir People, have often prevail'd with them, in their Lives-time, to stime Haresecure the Succession to their Eldest Sons; and H.2. to prevent ha
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zarding the Succession, endanger'd himself, by getting his eldest Son jus sum, for in Crown'd, himself living: But as the going no farther than the eldest, cuipus manu suns argues, that they look'd on that as a Favour; the pressing for a Settle-commendo: non ment on their Issue in any manner, argues, that it was not look'd upon enim tantum as a clear Point of Right without it.

Of later Times Settlements have been made in Tail, which tho fedi, &c. they were occasion'd by Pretences to Titles, are Records against an

Hereditary Monarchy.

5. The Oaths of Allegiance, required of all the Subjects, were never v. Leges W. 1. extended to Heirs, but were barely Personal, till Settlements of the de Fide, dyc. Crown were obtain'd upon the Quarrels between the Families of York am ut omnes and Lancaster; and tho' H. 4. obtain'd in Parliament an Oath to him-liberi homines felf, the Prince, and his Issue, and to every one of his Sons success fadere to safively; and in the time of H. 6. the Bishops and Temporal Lords swore sirment, quod to be true to the Heirs of R. Duke of York; yet perhaps no Oath of intra do Allegiance to the King and his Heirs can be shewn to have been re-Anglie Willielquir'd of the Subjects in general, till that 26 H. 8. according to the mo Regi Domi-Limitations of the Statute 25.

6. Even where the People had settled the Crown, they seem'd to Leges S. Edw. intend no more, than to give a Preference before other Pretenders; tit. Greve. Nid. Juramennot but that upon weighty Reasons they might alter it, as appears tum homogii by Pollydore Virgil, who was never thought to lie on the Peoples side, falli Regi. whatever Evidences for them he may have conceal'd or destroy'd; Prymne's Signal Whose Words of H. 5, to whom the Crown had been limited by Par- Poll. Virgil. liament, may be thus rendred.

liament, may be thus rendred.

"Prince Henry having buried his Father, causes a Council of Nobles Nota, Proceess to be convened at Westminster; which while they, according to the may take in Custom of their Ancestors, consulted about making a King, behold, minores." on a sudden some of the Nobility, of their own accord, swear Alle-"giance to him; which officious Good-will was never known to have

"been shewn to any before he was declared King.

7. As the Practice of the Kingdom is an Evidence of its Right, nu- William 2. was merous Instances may be produc'd of Choices, not only so called by elected during the Historians, but appearing so in their own Natures; wherein no re-eldest Bro. gard has been had to Proximity, but barely to Blood.

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the English, against whom he had discovered Ill-will, in spite of the Normans. So H. 1. Stephen was elected while Mand the Daughter of H-1. was alive; and H. 2. succeeded in her Life-time, upon an Agreement made with Stephen, by the People's Consent. R. 1. 25 within. King John crown'd in the Life-time of his eldest Brother's Son, Prince Arthur: So was his Son H. 3. in the Life-time of Elenor, Prince Arthur's Sister. E. 1. as within. E. 2. elected. E. 3, set up by the People in his Father's Life-time, which the Father took for a Favour, R. 2. declared Successor by Parliament, in the Life-time of his Grandsather. H. 4. of the younger House, came in by the People's Choice, upon their deposing R. 2. H. 5. 67 6. Son and Grandson to H. 4. eame in upon a Settlement. E. 4. of the elder House, came in under an Agreement made in Parliament between his Father, who liv'd not to have the Benesit of it, and H. 6. his Son. E. 5. was never crown'd. R. 3. who set him asside, was of the younger House. H. 7. who vanquish'd him, could have no Right of Proximity; for the Daughter of E. 4. and his own Mother, were before him. All that came in since, enjoy'd the Crown, either under the various Settlements of H. 8. or that of H. 7. which took place again in J. 1. or from H. 6. at the highest.

And I believe no Man can shew me any more than Two since the reputed Conquest, of whom it can be affirm'd, with any semblance of Truth,

Truth, that they came in otherwise than upon Election, express'd by the Historians of the Time, or imply'd, as they had no other Title, or else a late Settlement of the Crown, either upon themselves immediately, or in Remainder. The Two upon which I will yield some Colour, are R. 1. and E. 1. which singular Instances will be so far from turning the Stream of Precedents, that unless the Form or Manner of Recognifing their Rights as Hereditary be produc'd, the Pre-fumption is strong, that the Declarations of the Conventions of those Days, or the People's acquiescing upon the Question, Whether they would consent to the King in nomination, or both, made even their Cases to be plain Elections. And of these two Instances, perhaps, one may be struck off; For tho Walsingham says of E. 1. They recognized him for their Leige-lord, that does not necessarily imply a Recognition from a Title prior to their Declaration; for which way foever a King comes in duely, he becomes a Liege-lord, and is so to be recogniz'd or acknowledg'd; and that the Title was not by this Author Walsingham, ib. suppos'd prior to the Recognition, appears, in that he says, Paterni honoris successorem ordinaverunt, "They ordain'd or appointed him Suc-Sir P. P. Ob. " cessor of his Father's Honour. And yet his Father, to secure the Succession to him, had soon after his Birth issued out Writs to all the Oaths, f. 295. Sheriffs of England, requiring all Persons above Twelve Years old to swear to be faithful to the Son, with a Salvo for the Homage and Feal-

Indeed, of R. 1. the Historian says, He was to be promoted to the

Kingdom by Right of Inheritance; yet the very Word promoted shews something that he was to be rais'd to, higher than that Right alone

would carry him; which he fully expresses in the Succession of E. 2. which, he says, was not so much by Right of Inheritance, as by the unanimous Assent of the Peers and Great Men. Which shews, that ordina-

rily they, respectively, who stood next in Blood, might look for the Crown before another, till the People had by their Choice deter-

But this is farther observable of R. 1. That he was not called

King here, but only Duke of Normandy, till he was Crown'd; which,

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ty due to himself.

min'd against them.

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Walfingham,

f. I.

Walsingham, f. 68.

Bromton, f. Hoveden, f. 656.

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next to the People's Choice, was in great measure owing to his Mother's Diligence: For he being absent at the Death of his Father, his Mother, who had been releas'd out of Prison by his means, to secure the Succession to him, went about with her Court from City to City, and from Castle to Castle, and sent Clergy-men, and others of Reputation, with the People into the several Counties, by whose Industry she obtain'd Oaths of Allegiance to her Son and her self, from the People in the County-Courts, as it should seem; notwithstanding which, the Archbishop charg'd him at his Coronation, not to assume the Royal Dignity, unless he firmly resolv'd to perform what he had fworn: To which he answered, That by God's help he would faithfully observe his Oath. And Hoveden says, That he was Crown'd by the Counsel and Assent of the Archbishops, Eishops, Earls, Barons, and a great number of Milites, which Word was then of a large extent. Wherefore I submit it to Consideration, whether these are any Exceptions to the General Rule, or are not at least such as confirm it.

8. The Parliament 11 H. 7. declares, That it is against all Lams, 11 H.7. C.1. Reason, and good Conscience, that Subjects should lose or forfeit for doing

their true Duty and Service of Allegiance to their Prince, or Sovereign Lord for the time being; that is, to the King de facto, as appears by the Occasion of the Law to encourage the Service of H. 7. who had no Title but from his Subjects; and there is a Provision, That any Act or Acts, or other Process of Law to the contrary, shall be void: Which being built upon the Supposition, That according to the Fundamental Law, the People's Choice gives sufficient Title, perhaps is not vain and illusory, as the Lord Bacon would have it; but argues strongly, Lord Bacon's that the Parliament then thought the Monarchy Elective, at least with Hist. of H. 7. that Restriction to the Blood, which I yield. And if this be part of f. 145. the Fundamental Contract, for which it bids very fair, then perhaps no body of any other Stock may be King within this Statute.

To what I have offer'd on this Head, the following are all the Ob-

jections of seeming weight which have occurr'd to me.

The Maxim in Law, That the King never dies; or, to use the Object. I. Words of Finch, "The Perpetuity which the Law ascribes to him, Finch's Described having perpetual Succession: and he never dies; for in Law it is Common. "called the Demise of the King."

f. 20. b. & 21. a. The same made use of Reslections upon our late and present Proceeding, p. 10.

To which I answer, 1. That neither that Book, nor any Authority Answ. there cited, is so ancient as the Settlement of the Crown above obferv'd; and that the Death is but a Demise or transferring the Right immediately to a Successor, may be owing to the Settlement, but is no Argument of any Right otherwise. 2. Even where there is an Election, tho never so long after the Death of the Predecessor, yet by way of Relation, tis as if there were a Demise or Translation of Interest, without any Interregnum, as it was resolved by all the Judges I Eliz. of which the Words of Lord Dyer are, "The King who is Heir or Suc-Dyer, f, 165. " ceffor, may write and begin his Reign the same day that his Progeni-"tor or Predecessor dies; with which agrees the Lord Anderson. But Anderson, f. 44. that to many intents a King dies in his Politick Capacity, as well as successfeur & Natural, appears by the discontinuance of Process in Criminal Causes, le Heir; elseand such in Civil as was not return'd in the Life of the former King, Heir ou Suctill kept up by Statute; the determination of Commissions, and the cesseur. 1b.f.45.

'Tis urg'd, That the Hereditary Right contended for, has not been Object. 2. interrupted by the People's Elections, so oft as it should seem by the Breaches in the Succession; for that many who came in before them who stood next, were Testamentary Heirs of the Appointment of the Predecessor, which argues an Inheritance in him that disposes. And Dr. Brady thinks he produces an Example, where the Election of the Peo- Brady's Historic the Succession ple was bound and limited by the Nomination of the Predecessor.

But if he had duely weigh'd the Presidents of this kind, he might Answ. have understood, that an Election without a Nomination had full effect, while a bare Nomination had none; and he might have learnt from Grotius, that among the Germans, from whom we descend, King-Grotius de jure doms did not use to pass by Will, and that Wills were but Recommentality 1. p. 60. dations to People's Choice, but not Dispositions.

I find it urg'd, That as anciently as the time of E. 3. the Realm Object. 3. declar'd, "That they would not consent to any thing in Parliament, Vid. Debates "to the disherison of the King and his Heirs, or the Crown where-fing." unto they were sworn. " unto they were fworn.

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Knighton, f. 2482-

If any Colour of Evidence can be produc'd, that the Subjects of England, so early as that, swore Allegiance to the King and his Heirs, this were to the purpose. Indeed, I find, that before this, 24 E. 1. a Foreign Prince, the King of Scotland, Feudatory to the Crown of England, did Homage to the King and his Heirs; but the like not being exacted of the Subjects of England till particular Acts, whereby the Crown was fetled, it argues strongly, as indeed appears from the Subject Matter, that the Homage paid by a Foreign Prince was due to none but the present King, and his Successor to the Kingdom, whoever was next of Blood: And by parity of Reason, the Disherison of the King, and him, her, or them who succeeded to the Crown, was all that could be referr'd to, when they urge the Obligation of their Oath to the King and his Heirs, or the Crown, which appears

farther, not only from the old Oath of Allegiance, to which

they must needs have reference, whereby they are bound to

defend the Rights of the Crown; but even from the Mat-

ter then in question, which was not of the Right of Success sion, but of a Flower of the Crown. Bracton puts this out of dispute, when he tells us, "That Inheritance comes not "from an Heir, but an Heir from Inheritance; and that In-"heritance is the Succession to all the Right which the Pre-

"decessor had by any sort of Acquisition. With Bracton agrees the Civil Law, Haredis significatione omnis significari Successores credendum est, etsi verbis non sunt expressi : "By "Heirs we are to believe all Successors to be signified, altho"

"not exprest in Words: And again, Nihil est aliud hæredi-

tas quam successio in universum jus quod defunctus habuit; "In-"heritance is nothing else but Succession to all the Right

"which the Deceased had. Wherefore I cannot but wonder that so Learned a Man as Sir P. P. should cite this to prove,

that Allegiance is due to the Heirs and Successors in a Legal

Leges Sanci Edwardi. tit. Greve. Conjurati fratres ad defendendum regnum, &c. & honores illius omni fidelitate cum eo fervare.
So Leges W. 1. tit. De fide
& obsequio erga Regem.
Quod Willielmo Domino suo
fideles esse volunt de honores illius, dec. defendere.
Braston, lib. 2. cap. 29.

Vid. Sir P. P.
As Successors are Heirs, fo Dr. Brady tells us, Gloff. f. 18. That Preposeffor, one that possess the present Perfector. fore the present Possessor, without any relation to Blood or Kindred, is An-cestor in Doomsday, and in the Writ de morte Antecessoris.
Sir P. P. Obligation of

Oaths, f. 302.

Fol. 298.

Course of Descent; that is, as he explains, or receives it out of Mr. Prynne

Fol. 300. by proximity of Succession in regard of Line. Sir P. P. f. 297. Littleton, tit.

Nor is this Learned Man more fortunate in mentioning the Salvo, which Littleton tells us is to be taken to the Oath of Homage to a Sub-Homage, sett. ject, Salve la Foy que jeo doy a nostre Signior le Roy; where there is not a word of Heirs; but he tells us, that Littleton cites Glanvil, where the word Heirs is; whereas it is the Lord Cook who makes the Quotation, as he does of Bracton, whose Sense of the word Heirs we have feen; and Littleton fully confirms it, by leaving out the word Heirs, as a Redundancy, Allegiance being due to every one that becomes King, and to no other.

f. 16. 6 17.

But to put the extent of Heirs to a King out of Controversie, we Popham's Rep. have the Resolution of all the Judges in B. R. in the time of Q. Eliz. on my fide. King R. 3. had granted certain Priviledges to the Burgesses of Glocester, with a Saving to himself and his Heirs; and it was agreed by all the Justices, "That altho' the Words are, Saving "to himself and his Heirs, it shall be taken for a perpetual Saving, "which shall go to his Successors. This therefore they adjudg'd to

reach the Queen, who, tis well known, was not Heir to R. 3.

The great Objection is, That in the Contests for the Crown between Object. 4. the Families of Tork and Lancaster, each Side pretended Title by Proxi-

mity of Blood; and as either prevail'd, their Right was acknowledg'd to be according to God's Law, Man's Law, and the Law of Nature. To Rot. Parl. which I answer:

As appears in the very Objection, this was apply'd to those who Answ. had no fuch Right of Proximity, as well as those who had; and thus twas to R. 3. as well as to E. 4. And even the Election of H. 4. after the Deposing and Relinquishing of R. 2. with his own express Consent, is by the same Parliament that says so much of the Title of E. 4. called an Usurpation upon R. 2. Wherefore if this Record be any way leading to our Judgments, no Deposing or Resignation, what-

ever be the Inducement, can be of any force.

Whence 'tis plain, that all these are but Complements to the longest Sword, however, they neither set aside former Authorities, nor establish any Right for the future, at least not more for the Heirs of E. 4. than the Parliament of R. 3. did for his Heirs: Yet whoever comes next by Right of Proximity, according to any Settlement in being, I will not deny that they enjoy the Crown according to God's Law, Man's Law, and the Law of Nature; for, as the Great Fortescue has it, All Laws Fortescue de publish'd by Men have their Authority from God; and upon which the laudibus Lequim Angl. c.q. Author of Jovian argues, and supposes all Laws of Men to be the Jovian, p.253. Laws and Ordinances of God: Yet who can say but these Humane Creatures, or Ordinances of Men, may be altered, as they were made? And tho' it may seem strange to some, yet I may with great Authority assirm, That when the People had determin'd the Right on the Side of R. 3. he was King as much according to God's Law, as E. 4. Pusendorf de Intervente Desired Pusendorf holds, "That where the Question is, what Degree, Intervente Desired. For Pufendorf holds, "That where the Question is, what Degree, Interregnu, p. "or what Line is best, the declared Will of the People determines 288. Quod se "the Controversie; since every one is presum'd to understand his gradus aut que "own Intention; and the People that is now, is to be thought the linea su, potion when the linear "fame with that by which the Order of Succession was constituted.

But let Men argue as nicely as they please, for a Right or Sovereignfinem liti imty inseparable from the Person of the next in Blood, to the last lawful ponet, &c. King; let this fall upon J. 2. the reputed Prince of Wales, or any other Person of unclouded Birth and Fame; and let them argue upon the Declaration 1 E. 4. That Allegiance is there due by God's Law, Man's Law, and the Law of Nature: Certain it is, that the Statute 11 H. 7. above-mention'd, was not only made in an Age of greater Light, but being a subsequent Law, derogates from whatever is contrary in the former: By this last it is declared to be against all Laws, That Subjects should suffer for doing true Duty and Service of Allegiance to the King de facto; which is as much as if 'twere exprest to be against vid. 3 Inst. f.g. God's Law, Man's Law, and the Law of Nature: By the necessary Con-upon the Stat. sequence of which, Allegiance is due to a King de sactor according to of Treason, 25 all these Laws: Wherefore whoever denies Allegiance to King William in the Margin and Queen Mary, or maintains a contrary one to J. 2. offends against to this Statute. God's Law, Man's Law, and the Law of Nature. Nor, whatever some understood of imagine, can the Proviso at the end of this Statute in the least impair its a King in pos-Force, as to what I use it for. The Proviso runs thus.

Crown and

Kingdom; for if there be a King regnant in possession, altho he be Rex de falso, and not de jure, yet he is Seignior le Roy within the Purview of this Statute; and the other who hath the right, and is out of possession, is not within this Act: nay, if Treason be committed against a King de falso, and after the King de jure come to the Crown, he shall punish the Treason done to the King de falso; and a Pardon granted by a Kind de jure, that is not also de falso; is void.

11 H. 7. C. I.

"Provided always, That no Person or Persons shall take any Benefit " or Advantage by this Act, which shall hereafter decline from his or

" their said Allegiance.

Where said Allegiance, shews it to be meant of Allegiance to the King de facto, whose Service is called true Duty; and no Man surely can think the meaning to be, that if after such Service they turn to the other Side, or become Traytors to the present Power, they shall suffer for the former Service, as Traytors against him that had the Right, either during the Reign of the King in being, which would be an unlikely owning the ejected Power; or hereafter, if that should come to be restor'd, which would be far from answering the apparent End of that Clause which is to keep Men in Obedience to him who has the Power of punishing the Disobedient. Wherefore the plain meaning must be, that no Man who departs from his Duty of Allegiance to the present King, shall save himself by pleading, that he had been in Arms, or had done him any fignal Service. In short, this was to be no Corban, to anfwer for any following Departure from Duty.

That the People of Eng-land were

4. I think I have, with due regard to all colourable Objections, made it appear, That Allegiance may in some Cases be withdrawn from one lately reftord who had been King, till the occasion of such Withdrawing, or Judg-

to a qualified ment upon it.

And this I have done, not only from the Equity and referved Cases necessarily implied, but from the express Original and continuing Contract between Prince and People; which, with the Legal Judicature impowred to determine concerning it, I have likewise shewn, and exemplified, by the Custom of the Kingdom, both before the reputed Conquest, and since: And have occasionally proved, That the Oaths of Allegiance may reach to Heirs according to special Limitations, as was 26 Hen. 8. yet in common intendment, by Heirs of a King or Crown no more is meant, than fuch as fucceed to it according to the Law positive, or implied: And that whoever comes to the Crown upon either, Allegiance is as much due to him by the Law of God and Nature, as it was to the nighest in Blood: Or, to use the Words of Bishop Sanderson, "Dignity varies not with the change of Persons: "Whence if any Subject or Soldier swear Fidelity to his King or Ge-"neral, the Oath is to be meant to be made unto them also who suc-" ceed to that Dignity.

Sanderson de **Obligatione** Juramenti, Lett. 4.

> And when the Crown continues in the Blood, this, especially by what I have above shewn, puts the Obligation of Allegiance to the King in being, out of controversie, unless it can be made appear, that the Right of the former King remains; or that there is some Settle-

> ment of the Crown yet in force, which ties it strictly to the next.
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> I come now to prove, That the People of England are actually difcharged from their Oaths of Allegiance to J. 2. and were lately restored to that Latitude of Choice which I have shewn to be their Ori-

ginal Right.

The Lords and Commons having a Judicial Power in this Matter, as hath been prov'd at large; their Exercise of this Power in the nature of the thing determines the Right, unless an Appeal lies from them to some higher Court in this Nation. But that no Power can legally question them, or any of them, in this Matter, appears more particularly, in that there is no Statute now in force, (nor was fince the Death of

Car. 2.) which makes it Treason to conspire to Depose a King, or actu- Vid. Sir Robert ally to Depose him. But this is of the Nature of those Common-Law Atkins his excellent Descriptions, which are left to the Judgment of Parliament: And they fence of the who are the only Judges of their own Actions, have a pretty large Lord Ruffel, Liberty in them, especially according to them who would infer the f. 22,23 Absolute Power of Princes, from the Supposition of no constituted Judges of their Actions. Wherefore the Defence of their Proceedings might justly seem to be superseded, were it not for an ungovernable fort of Men, who either cannot, or will not, judge according to the Rules of right Reasoning: but as they will hardly admit of any Doctrine as true, for which they have not the Decision of some Father or Council; will believe no Action, not proceeding from their imperious Dictates, justifiable, even in Cases of the utmost necessity, for the Preservation of the true Religion and just Laws, for which they have no Warrant from the Examples of their Forefathers, or Opinions of Men whose Books have past with their Allowance: Which often drives me to the seeming Pedantry of Quotations, to confirm the most obvious Considerations, to which my own Thoughts led me.

The either open, or more covert Matters of Fact, inducing the Declaration of Lords and Commons, That J. 2. has broken the Original Contract, I need not now enquire into. All People must own, that he has, if they in the least attend to the Constitution of our Government, and how apparently he by his general Dispensations usurp'd a Legislative Power, for the Destruction of the Protestant Religion and Civil Rights; which we were in a fair way of being Dragoon'd out of by a Standing Army, by degrees to have been wholly under Popish or Complying Officers: Yet if there were no more than his leaving the Kingdom, without making any Provision for keeping up the Juttice of it, and going into France, a Country from whence all Mischiefs have of late Years flow'd upon us and our Religion; Who can deny, but this alone would have been enough to fet him aside? The Rastal's Engoing out of the Realm, without appointing a Custos, was anciently tries, tit. Re-

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f. 544. b. Refum' &c. quia extra Regnum Anglia Progres, secimus, nullo locum tenente nostrum sive Custode Regni relieto, dre.

And the Lord Hobart gives it as a Maxim, Cessa regnare si non vis ju- Hobart. f.155. dicare; "Cease to Reign, if you will not Judge, or maintain the Course of Justice.

Many, I know, upon these Questions rather regard the Civil Law; and that, I am sure, gives a home-thrust, in the Case of deserting Ved. Leges 12 one's Country, and going into such an one as France is to our Nation, Tab. de Magistrat. tho'it has been in too strict Alliance with our Kings.

The Digefts fay,

"A Deserter has no Right of being restor'd to his Country: For he Digest. lib. 49. "who left his Country with an evil and treacherous Mind, is to be tit 15 de Cap-"held as an Enemy, &c. But we are to take not only him for a liminio. Trans-"Deserter, who runs over to Enemies in time of War, but also du-fuge nullum ring a Truce: Or, who runs over to them with whom there is no est, nam qui "Amity, either after undertaking to be faithful to his Country, or malo consilio "else undertaking to be faithful to the other: Either of which Senses on Proditoris the Words will bear.

bendus est, &c. transfuga autem non is solus accipiendus est, qui aut ad hostes aut in bello transfugit, sed ad eos cum quibus nulla amicitia est side susceptà transfugit.

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Tis likely to be faid, That this out of the Civil Law is improperly applied to the Prince, who, according to that, is exempt from all

PræfeEtum

Imp. Theod. & But I would delire fuch to read the receipt of Valentinian, wherein they thus declare: "Tis an Expression suita-But I would desire such to read the Rescript or Law of Theodosius ad Volusianum "table to the Dignity of one that Reigns, to profess himself bound "by the Laws. Our own Authority does so depend upon the Autho-Digna vox est ce rity of Law. And in truth, for the Governing Power to subnantis, Legibus "mit to Law, is greater than Empire. And by the Promulgation of ad ligatum se "this present Edict, we make known to others, what we will not alprincipem pro-fiteri. Adeo de "low to our selves.

austoritate ju-ris nostra pendet austoritas : & reverâ majus imperio est submittere Legibus principatum. Et oraculo prasentis Edistis quod nobis licere non patimur alis indicamus.

That 7. 2. had before his Departure broken the Fundamental Laws, and that now he not only ceases to Protect, but is in a Kingdom which foments and strengthens a Rebellion in Ireland, part of the Dominions belonging to the English Crown, I think no body will deny. Nor till they can answer what I have shewn of the mutual Contract, continued down from the first Erection of the Monarchy here, ought they to deny, that he has thereby broken the Original Contract which bound the People to him, and him to them. What refults from this Breach, is now more particularly to be confidered. That it is a Difcharge from all Allegiance to him requir'd by any Law, and confirm'd by any Oaths, is evident, not only from the former Authorities, but from the Condition going along with such a mutual Contract as I have prov'd to be with us between Prince and People. Or rather, to use the Words of the Learned Pufendorf,

"The Obligation is not so much dissolv'd, as broken off, by the Officio Hominis " Perfidiousness of either Party: For when one does not perform that & Civis, p. " which was acreed on neither is the other bound to performance: "which was agreed on, neither is the other bound to performance: "For the prior Heads of things to be perform'd in Contracts, are in the "Subsequent by way of Condition. As if it should be said, I will

"perform, if you perform first.

This he more fully explains in another Book, where he distinguishes between an Obligation imperfectly mutual, as he supposes it to be between an Absolute Prince and his Subjects; and one perfectly mutual, as 85. 67 94. tween an Abjunce I line and last of tween an Abjunce I line and last of tween an Abjunce I line and last of the Puf. Jupr. he takes it to be, where the People have conferred a Power on any Terms.

Of fuch Obligations, he fays,

Pufend. Ele-menta Jurisprud. p. 94.

Pufendorf de

Pufend. Elementa Juris-prudentiæ, p.

de Interregnis,

P. 274.

"These, since they have a mutual respect to the things agreed on, "and suppose mutual Faith; it is evident, that if one Party violate "the Faith which he plighted, the other is no more bound. "therefore he is not perfidious who stands not to those Contracts which "the other has broken. For all the Heads of one and the same Con-"tract, run into each other by way of Condition, &...

And in that Book of his, which is counted the Standard of the Law Jure Gentium, of Nations, he afferts it to be lawful for Subjects to oppose their Prince by Force (which is a sufficient departure from Allegiance) if he goes V.Grot de Jure, about modum habendi potestatem immutare; i.e. to change that Manner de summitatem in which he by the Contract enjoys the Power, from less to more habendi pleni- Absolute.

Pufend. de p. 1105.

tudine, p. 62.

And

And in his Tract de Interregnis, cited above, he allows of this; Differtationes "If the King abdicate all Care of the Commonwealth, becomes of an de Interreg. "hostile Mind towards his Subjects, or manifestly departs from those supra."

"Rules of Governing, upon the Observance of which, as upon a

"Condition, the Subjects have suspended their Obedience.

Nor is the German Author Knichen less plain; whose Words are, Rudolphi Godo. "If the Magistrate have absolute and full Majesty, due Subjection fredi Knichen "ought by no means to be denied him, tho' he be impious: Nor may open po "another be substituted in his room, upon his being cast out. Much "less can a new Form of Government be introduc'd. But if he "were constituted by the People under certain Pacts and Promises "fworn to him by the People, and therefore is bound to certain Rules "of Laws, and either to do or avoid things contain'd in those Con-"tracts, whether Fundamental Laws, or things particularly concerted, "(as for Example, the Emperor in our Empire:) They not being ob"ferv'd, but studiously, enormously, and obstinately violated; the
"Hopes of Amendment, after many of the Subjects Prayers and Ad"monitions, plainly vanishing; he may rightfully be remov'd by the
"States and People, &c. The Reason is, Because he was promoted "to the Government by fuch Agreement, and that sworn to, accord-"ing to the Laws of the Agreement or Contract: The Nature of "which consists in this, That if that Party for whose Sake or Cause they are Constituted, violate them, the other Party of very Right is "freed from the Observance of those things which are granted by such

Nor does Philip Pareus come short of this, in his Defence of his Fa- Philippi Parci ther David, where he speaks very particularly of the Effect of the Vindicatio, p. mutual Compact.

But notwithstanding the Discharge from Allegiance to J. 2. some will urge, That it continues to the Person that stands next in Blood. Against which, I doubt not but I shall offer full Evidence. For,

I. If, as I have shewn, the Promise to the King himself be Condi- vid. Brook, tit. tional, and his Interest determines by his Breach of the Condition, be Condition, the Condition precedent, in which Case no Interest is vested till Perfor- n. 67. mance; or subsequent, in which the Breach divests what before was settled; What Interest can the Heir have in a Conditional Estate determined by Breach of the Condition? And fince it has been made appear, That the Heirs of a King with us, take not as Purchasers by an Original Contract, upon which there might be some Pretence of an Interest vested in them, independent on their Father's Title; but they who can be said to have succeeded without an immediate Choice, did it by vertue of subsequent Settlements, entirely depending upon the Original Contract, continuing down to their immediate Ancestors respectively; If that Contract be dissolv'd, what can support the Settlement? Can the Agreement for the Benefit of a King and his Posterity, be supposed to be other, than that if he govern them as King, performing the Essentials of the Contract on his part, he and his Descendents shall enjoy the Crown? Can it be imagin'd, that this was vid. Lit. c. 5. made for the separate Benefit of the Heir, without regard to the Ancestor's Performance? Or is it to be supposed in the nature of the thing, that the People would have made such a Contract, whereby after being justly discharged from their Allegiance to a King and having ter being justly discharged from their Allegiance to a King, and having

acted pursuant thereto, they shall enable a Successor to revenge his V.L. Clarendon, Ancestor's Quarrel? This were such a Contract as that which the Lord cited above in Clarendon affures us, if never so real, can never be supposed to be with the the Margin, intention of the Contracter. And Grotius argues against a King's Power the Leviathan, of aliening his Kingdom, from hence, that this is not to be prsum'd to Jure have been the Will of the People in conferring the Power. And in Relli & Pacis, another place he fays, "Right is to be measur'd according to the Will L. 1. c 3. p.60. " of him from whom the Right arises.

Grot. sup. p.64.

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2. The Power of the King being, as Fortescue has it, and the Authorities above plainly evince, a Populo effluxa, "deriv'd from the "People; and the Interest of J. 2. being determined, he vet living; so that there can be no Heir to him, or of his Body; What hinders Vid. 11 H. 6, the Operation of the known Rule in Law, That where there is no Remainder to take effect at the Determination of the particular Estate, it shall revert to the Donor? Which in this Case is manifestly the People.

If it be faid, That this Rule shall not extend to the Descent of the Crown, which differs from Common Inheritances; I dare fay, No Man can shew any Difference, but what is more strong for the People's Choice: For whereas Common Estates are for the Benefit of them who have the present Interest, the Crown is a Trust for the Benefit of

the People.

3. The Ancient Statute above-mentioned, of which the Lords and v. sup. Knigh- Commons mind R. 2. upon his Male-administration, says, That upon putting the King from his Throne, with the Common Affent and Confent of the Nation, for the Causes there exprest, they may set upon the Throne in his stead propinquiorem aliquem de stirpe Regia; "fome body of Kin to the King, of the Royal Stock. If they were tied to the next, it certainly would have been proximum: Besides, the word aliquem thews a Latitude: And according to this, upon R. the Second's being Deposed, H. 4. claimed the Crown, Als rescendit be right 1 H. 4. n. 54. Lyne of the Blode comerning fro the gude Lozd Henry Therde. But

because this, without consideration of his Merits in rescuing them from R. 2. entitled him to the Crown no more than another of the Blood; therefore the Lords and Commons drew up an Instrument purporting their Election.

4. But admit, none of the foregoing Arguments were enough to shew, That upon James the Second's Abdication, or at least losing his Interest in the Government, the People of England were restor'd to that Liberty which they had before the Settlement of the Crown, which was in force till the Original Contract was broken by him; yet, I conceive, the particular Consideration of the State of the Settlement, might afford sufficient Argument.

Henry the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth, if we believe Dr. Brudy, held the Crown by Usurpation: Yet the earliest Settlement of the Crown farther than the first Son, was in the time of H. 4. Nor, as I shall show, was the Crown enjoy'd by J. 2. under better Title than they had. H. 5. and 6. came in under an Entail of the Crown 7 H. 4.

Vid. Ros. Park. confirmed 8. The Misgovernment of H. 6. having given occasion to Richard Duke of York, of the Blood-Royal and Elder House, to affert the Peoples Rights, not his own; Henry and the Duke, with the Confent of the Lords and Commons, came to an Agreement in Par-

liament, That Richard and his Heirs should enjoy the Crown after the Death

f. 12. b. Rolls Abr. tit.

Remainder,

f. 415.

Notas Not proximum.

Rot. Parl.

Ib-n. 55.

Brady's Hift of the Succession, f. 25.

Death of Henry. And tho' here the word Heirs is mention'd without restraint, yet considering that it is the first time that ever the Crown was settled so far, I know not whether it is not to be taken with Go- gomezius de mezius his Restriction, of an Usufructuary or Emphyteutical Estate; Qualitatibus of the last of which, much of the same nature with the other, he 319. Hottofays, "If it did not use to be granted to more than the first, second, manni Com. de "or third Heirs, the mention of Heirs simply, ought to be restrain'd to usus-frustus est "those only; because the Nature or Quality of the thing granted, jus alienis re-

"ought to be attended to.

After the Death of Richard Duke of York, his Son Edward the rum substantia: Fourth, as I before observ'd, took the Government upon him, as for- Emphyteusis. feited by breach of the Covenant establish'd in Parliament. However, H. 6. being set up again ten Years after, gets that Settlement by which E. 4. was to have benefit, to be revok'd, and the Crown to be entail'd on his Issue; the Remainder to the Duke of Clarence, younger Son to the Duke of York. Afterwards E. 4. having success, revives 13 E. 45 the Settlement 39 H. 6. Only that he attaints H. 6. with others of his Party. Which Attainder was remov'd I H. 7. and declar'd contrary to Rot. Parl. due Allegiance, and all due Order. And not only the Attainder, but H. 7. In 16. that Act of Parliament it self was revok'd. So that hitherto there had Edmund Earl been no Title in the Heirs of Richard Duke of York, or of Edward Brother by the Fourth, but what was deriv'd under the Settlement of Henry 6. Mother's Side call'd an Higgsper, and Edward the Fourth's Town I in the Heirs of Richard the Fourth's Town I in the Heirs Side call'd an Higgsper and Edward the Fourth's Town I in the Heirs of Henry 6. call'd an Usurper, and Edward the Fourth's Treason depriv'd him of to H. 6. the Benefit even of that Settlement.

H. 7. indeed married the eldest Daughter of E. 4. But before that Marriage, having conquer'd Rich. 3. he claim'd the Crown: As his Words in Parliament were, Tam per justum titulum hareditantia, qu'am Rot. Parl. per verum Dei judicium, in tribuendo sibi victoriam de inimico suo; "As IH.7." well by just Title of Inheritance, as by the true Judgment of God,

"in giving him the Victory over his Enemy.

If it be ask'd, how he could have a Right of Inheritance, when the Daughter of E. 4. and his own Mother were alive? It seems in the Judgment of that Parliament, that E. 4. having acted contrary to his Allegiance due to H. 6. he and his had lost the Benefit of the Settle-Vid. Rot. Parliament. ment reviv'd by his successful Treason; and that this was lost, even supra. before the Revival was destroy'd by Parliament. And then, tho' H. 7. could not come in without an Election, yet he, as H. 4. before, might have a fort of Inheritance; according to a very witty Author, who speaking of the Kingdom of Israel, says, Concludere licet, regnum Israe-Vindicia conlis, si stirpem spectus, hæreditarium certe fuisse; at sane si personas, om-tra Tyrannos, nino electivum; "We may conclude, that the Kingdom of Israel, if mi, p. 110, "you look at the Stock, was certainly Hereditary; but if at the Per-"ions, altogether Elective.

Be this as it will, the Lords and Commons so far regarded King Henry's Claim, that they not only receiv'd him for King, but it was enacted by the Authority of the then Parliament, That the Crowns of the Rot. Parls Realms of England and France should rest in him and the Heirs of his 1 H.7.

Body lawfully coming, perpetually; and in NONE OTHER.

When they had thus done, the Commons requested the King to Marry Elizabeth Daughter to E. 4. that by God's Grace there might be Issue of the Stock of their Kings. So that this was only to preserve the Royal Blood, not to give any new Countenance or Confirmation to his

H.8. enjoy'd the Crown not as Heir to his Mother, but under the Settlement upon H. 7. Nor can it be said, that he was in by Remitter, fince that Act under which his Mother should have deriv'd, was Repeal'd: And had it stood in force, yet it would not have made the Title more Sacred; unless it can be shewn, that the Mother had a Title prior to the Act of Settlement 39 H. 6. the contrary to which appears

by the former Account from Law and History.

H. 8. procur'd feveral Settlements of the Crown, according as Love 25 H. 8. c. 22. or Jealousie prevail'd in him. In the 25th of his Reign 'twas settled upon himself, and his Heirs Males of his Body, lawfully begotten on Queen Anne, &c. declaring the Marriage with Queen Katherin unlawful; Remainder to the Lady Elizabeth, Remainder to his own Right

26 H. 8. c. 2. Heirs. 26 H. 8. an Oath was enjoyn'd for that purpose. 28 H. 8. the 28 H. 8. c. 7. two former Acts 25 & 26. are Repeal'd, the Illegitimation of Mary Daughter to Queen Katherine is confirmed; the like declared of Elizabeth Daughter to Queen Anne; and the Crown entail'd upon his Heirs Males by Queen Jane, or any other Wife; Remainder to Heirs Females by that Queen, or any other lawful Wife; Remainder to such Person or Persons, and according to such Estates as he should appoint by Letters Patent, or by Will. 35 the Crown is settled subject to such Conditions as the King should make, according to the Power there given; first, upon Prince Edward, and the Heirs of his Body: the Remainder, in like manner, upon the Ladies Mary and Elizabeth, and the Heirs of their Bodies successively, without taking off their Illegitimations. And the same Power is given of Disposing by Letters Pa-

tent, or by Will, as by the Statute 28. for which a memorable Reason Vid. 28 H. 8. is given in both Acts; Left if such Heirs should fail, and no Provision made in the King's Life, who should Rule and Govern this Realm; for lack 8. of such Heirs, as in those Acts is mention'd, that then this Realm should be destitute of a Lawful Governour. E. 6. succeeded according to both those Acts: After him, Queen Mary, by the last: who, at her coming to the Crown, could not be look d on as of the Right Line, because

of the Acts which Illegitimated her: But in the first of her Reign, the same Parliament takes off her Illegitimation, and Repeals the Acts 25 & 28 H. 8. And in this the Parliament seems rather to provide for

the Honour of her Descent, than (as Dr. Brady would have it) to declare the Succession to be in Inheritance by Right of Blood. Whatever might be the secret Intention, I am sure there is no such Authoritative Declaration: And the Acts 28 & 35 H. 8. seem to say quite the con-

trary. 1 & 2 P. M. tho' there is no direct Settlement, it is made Treason to compass the Deprivation or Destruction of K. P. during the Queen's Life; or of the Queen, or of the Heirs of her Body law-

fully begotten. Queen Elizabeth succeeded by vertue of the Limitation 35 H. 8. and the Bastardiz'd by the Statutes 28 H. 8. and 1 M. yet her first Parliament declare, That she is rightly, lineally, and lawfully descended and come of the Blood Royal of this Realm; to whom, and the Heirs of her Body, the Royal Dignity, &c. are and shall be united: And enacts, That the Statute 35 H. 8. shall be the Law of the Kingdom for ever. But the Fee of the Crown not having been dispos'd of, according to the Power given by the Statute 28, and re-

peated 35 H. 8. And the 25, whereby 'twas limited in Remainder to the Heirs of H.8. being repeal'd upon the Deaths of E.6. and the Queens,

Hift. of Succession, f.34.

1 6 2 P. M. c. 9.

I Eliz. c. 3.

Mary and Elizabeth without Issue; there remaining no Heirs of the Body of H. 8. in the Judgment of two Parliaments, the Realm was

destitute of a Lawful Governour.

Indeed, according to the Act of Recognition, 1 J. 1. the Crown 1 Jac. 1. c. 1. came to him, being lineally, rightfully, and lawfully descended of the Body of the most Excellent Lady Margaret, the eldest Daughter of the most Renowned King Henry the Seventh, and the High and Noble Princess Queen Elizabeth his Wife, eldest Daughter of King Edward the Fourth: The said Lady Margaret being eldest Sister of King Henry the Eighth, Father of the High and Mighty Princess of Famous Memory, Elizabeth

late Queen of England.

Tho' this pompous Pedigree, to avoid all Objections, goes as high as E. 4. the Derivation of Title, as appears above, can be no higher than from the Settlement 1 H.7. Nor does this Act 1 7. make any additional Provision; but indeed seems to flatter the King into a Belief, that there was no need of any; telling him, That they made that Recognition as the First-fruits of their Loyalty and Faith to him, and his Royal Progeny and Posterity for ever. But neither then, or ever after, till that in this present Parliament, did the People make any Settlement of the Crown, but it continued upon the same Foot as it did I H. 7. when it was entirely an Act of the People, under no Obligation, but from their own Wills. And if we should use Sir Robert Filmer's Authority, "Impossible it is in Nature for Men to give a Law Sir Robert "unto themselves, no more than it is to command a Mans self in a Filmer's Pow"Matter depending of his own Will. There can be no Obligation for the service of Kings, which taketh State from the meer Will of him that promises the "same."

Wherefore, to apply this Rule: Since the People that is now, in Vid. Pufend.de common presumption is the same with that which first settled the Suc-Interregn. Sup. cession, and so are bound only by an Act of their own Will; they have p. 288, 289. yet as arbitrary a Power in this Matter, as Sir Robert and his Followers contend that the Prince has, whatever Promises or Agreements he has entred into.

But not to lean upon such a broken Reed; nor yet to make those many Inferences which this plain State of the Settlements of the Crown might afford; Three things I shall observe:

1. If the Settlement made 1 H. 7. who was an Usurper, according to the Notion of Dr. Brady and his Set of Men, was of no force; then, there being no Remainders since limited by any Act but what are spent, of necessity the People must have had Power of Chusing, or there could have been no lawful Government since Queen Elizabeth's time,

when was the last Settlement, except what is now made.

2. The Declarations of two Parliaments, 28 and 35 H. 8. fully ballance the Declaration 1 Jac. 1. if they do not turn the Scales; considering, that the Judges in the later Times seem to have had less Law or Integrity than they had in H. the Eighth's. I will not take upon me to determine which was the Point of Two that they might go upon. 1. That a Government shall not pass by Implication, or by reason of a dormant Remainder. But there having been so many Alterations since the Settlement 1 H. 7. and the whole Fee once disposed of, nor ever any express Restitution of the Settlement 1 H. 7. the People were not to think themselves obliged to a Retrospect: 'Tis evident, at least, that

they did not. Or, 2. Perhaps they might question, whether they were oblig'd to receive for Kings the Islue of Foreign Princes, since there was no means of being sufficiently inform'd of the Circumstances of the Birth, neither the Common, or any Statute-Law affording any 25 E.3. Stat.2. Means of proving it, as appears by the Statute 25 E.3. which for the Children of Subjects only, born out of the King's Allegiance, in Cases wherein the Bishop has Conusance, allows of a Certificate from the Bishop of the Place where the Land in question lies, if the Mother pass'd the Seas by the King's License. But if our Kings or Queens should upon any occasion be in Foreign Parts, 'tis to be presum'd, that they would have with them a Retinue subject to our Laws, who might attest the Birth of their Children, and be punish'd if they swear stally.

Wherefore, 25 E. 3. 'tis declar'd to be the Law of the Crown, That Stat. 25 E. 3. sup. the Children of the Kings of England, ENFANTZ DES ROYS, as the Record has it, in whatever Parts they be born, be able, and ought to bear the Inheritance after the Death of their Ancestors. Yet this is most likely to be meant of those private Inheritances which any of the Kings had, being no part of the Demeasns of the Crown; since the Inheritance of the Crown was not mentioned, nor, as has been shewn, was it fuch as the King's Children were absolutely entitled to in their Order.

The most common acceptation of Children is of a Man's immediate Vid. 1. Ander- Issue: As where Land is given to a Man and his Children, who can fon, f. 60, & think any remote Descendants entitled to it? Nor could it extend farto the Wife, ther in the Settlement of a Crown.

cease to the Children. Vid. Wild's C. 6 Rep. In Shelley's C. 1 Rep. f. 103. A Gift to a Man & semini suo, or prolibus suis, or liberis suis, or exitibus suis, or pueris suis de corpore.

37 E. 3. c. 10. a Sumptuary Law was made, providing for the Habits of Men according to their Ranks, and of their Wives, and Children, ENFANTZ, as in the former Statute of the same Reign. Now altho' this should extend to Childrens Children born in the same House, Vid, Sir James it could never take-in the Children of Daughters, forisfamiliated by Dalrimple's Marriage; nay, nor those of such Sons as were educated in a distinct

Calling from their Parents.

Farther, the very Statute of which the Question is, cuts off the Scotland, f. 52. Descendants from Females out of the number of a King's Children, when among other Children not of the Royal Family, it makes a parvid. Dugdale's ticular Provision for Henry Son of John Beaumond, who had been born beyond Sea 3 and yet Henry was by the Mothers Side in the Fourth Degree from H. 3. for the was Daughter to Henry Earl of Lancaster, Son of Edmund, Son to H. 3. Had this Henry been counted among the Children of a King, 'tis certain there had not been a special Clause for him, among other Children of Subjects.

Nor does the Civil Law differ from ours in this Matter; for tho' under the name of Children are comprehended not only those who are in our Power, but all who are in their own, either of the Female Sex, or descending from Females; yet the Daughter's Children were always Just. Inst. lib. look'd on as out of the Grandfather's Family, according to the Rule in Civil Law, transcribed by our Bracton, "They who are born of your lib. 1. cap. 9. "Daughter, are not in your power. The Transfer of Control of the Publick Utility, were never thought to reach them, as a Learned "Daughter, are not in your power: And Privileges derogating from Syntagma juris

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universi, f. 206. Spiegelius, tit. Liberi. Non procedere in privilegiis que generaliter publice utilitati derogant. Vid. Antonii

Perezi Inst. Imperiales, p. 21.

the Laws of

Bar. 2. Vol. Beaumont.

Civilan

Civilian has it. "A Daughter is the End of the Family in which she "was born, because the Name of her Father's Family is not propaga-"ted by her. And Cujacius makes this difference between Liberi, and Vid. Cujac. ad Liberi sui; sui, he says, is a Legal Name, the other Natural: The for-tit. de verbomer are only they who are in a Man's Power, or of his Family; and tione, p. 147. Liberi, strictly taken, he will have to go no farther.

But in truth, confidering the Purview of the Statute which we are here upon, Children in it seems to be restrain'd to Sons and Daughters, without taking in the Descendants from either; the Occasion of the Law being the Births of several ENFANTZ in Foreign Parts, which could be but Sons or Daughters to the immediate Parents, whether

Kings or Private Persons. 4. But however, this may be enough for my purpose, that there is no colour of any Settlement in force, but that I H. 7. and admitting that to have continued till J. 2. had broken the Original Contract,

yet that being broken, the present Assembly of Lords and Commons had full as much Authority to declare for King WILLIAM and Queen MARY, as the Parliament 1 H. 7. had to settle the Crown: For H. 7. could give them no Power but what he had received immediately from Nor is it material to fay, He was Crown'd first; since, as I have shewn, the Crown confers no Power distinct from what is deriv'd

either from an immediate or prior Choice.

3d. The Power having upon the Dissolution of the Contract be. That the Peotween J. 2. and his former Subjects, return'd to the People of Legal ple of England have du-Interests in the Government, according to the Constitution, there can ly exercis'd be no doubt with unbyass'd Men, but this takes in them only who their Power, in setting the have Right of being in Person, or by Representation, in those Assem- Government. blies where is the highest Exercise of the Supreme Power. But there are two Extremes opposite to the late Election made by such an Assembly. The first is of them who would have all things go on in the same Form as under a Monarch, which was impossible; and therefore the Supreme Law, the Publick Safety, must needs supply the want of Form, nor can be justly controverted, till the Lawfulness of the End is disproved: For all Means necessary to such an End are allowable in Nature, and by all Laws. But if this should still be disputed, all their darling Laws made by the Long Parliament, which met after that Convention Anno 1660. will fall to the Ground, according to the strict Application of the Statute above-mentioned, 16 Car. 1. nay, the Attempt of Repealing that Statute, being in a Parliament which had been actually dissolv'd before, by that very Law which it went about to Repeal, that Form which was usual before, is, in default of King and Officers, supplied by another Provision, for the Regular Meeting of Lords and Commons. And what hinders, but the People had as much Power to vary from the common Form, when there was no King, and that Form could not be observ'd, as when there was a King, and a possibility of having that Form?

Others suppose, the Consequence of a Dissolution of this Contract to be a meer Commonwealth, or absolute Anarchy, wherein every body has an equal Share in the Government, not only Landed Men, and others with whom the Ballance of the Power has rested by the Constitution, but Copy-holders, Servants, and the very Faces Romuli, which would not only make a quiet Election impracticable, but bring

in a deplorable Confusion. But this Dilemma they think not to be answer'd:

Object.

Either the old Form, as under a Monarch, remains, or it does not: If it does, the late Action of the Lords and Commons was irregular: If it does not, all the People are restor'd to their Original Rights, and all the Laws which fetter'd them are gone.

Answ.

Here we must distinguish upon the word Form; for if it be taken of the Form of Proceedings or Administration, 'tis no Consequence that the Form of Government or Constitution should fail, because we admit that the other does.

Hobbs his Leviathan.

Mr. Hobbs indeed holds, "That when a Monarch for himself and his "Children has left a Kingdom, or renounces it, the Subjects return to "their absolute and natural Liberty. Whom the Learned Pufendorf thus answers.

Pufendorf de I terregnis, p.

"They who have once come together into a Civil Society, and sub-"jected themselves to a King, since they have made that the Seat of "their Fortunes, cannot be presum'd to have been so slothful, as to be "willing to have their new Civil Society extinct, upon the Death of "a King, and to return to their Natural State and Anarchy, to the ha-"zarding the Safety now fettled. Wherefore when the Power has "not been conferr'd on a King by Right of Inheritance, or that he "may dispose of the Succession at pleasure, it is to be understood to "be at least tacitly agreed among them, That presently upon the Death "of a King they shall meet together, and that in the Place where the "King fix'd his Dwelling. Nor can there well be wanting among any "People fome Perfons of Eminence, who for a while may keep the "others in order, and cause them as soon as may be to consult the Pub-" lick Good.

The Author of a late Paper in relation to these Times, has this Pas-

sage, not to be neglected.

A Letter to a

Marg.

"All Power is originally or fundamentally in the People, formally in Friend, advi- " the Parliament, which is one Corporation, made up of three constiextraordinary "tuent essentiating Parts, King, Lords, and Commons; so it was with Juncture, &c. "us in England: When this Corporation is broken, when any one es-"fentiating Part is lost or gone, there is a Dissolution of the Corpo-"ration, the formal Seat of Power, and that Power devolves on the "People: When it is impossible to have a Parliament, the Power re-"turns to them with whom it was originally. Is it possible to have a "Parliament? It is not possible; the Government therefore is dissolv'd.

Hence he would argue a necessity of having a larger Representative Vid. Pufend, de of the People, that the Convention may be truly National. But had this Interregnia, p. Ingenious Person observ'd Pufendorf's two distinct Contracts, by the first of which a Provision was made for a Monarchy before any particular Person was settled in the Throne, he would have sound no such necessity: But if immemorially the People of England have been represented as they were for this Assembly, and no needful Form or Circumstance has been wanting to make the Representation compleat, all Men who impartially weigh the former Proofs of Elections not without a righful Power, must needs think the last duely made.

Dr. Brady indeed, with some few that led him the Dance, and others that follow, will have the present Representation of the Commons of England to have been occasion'd by Rebellion, 49 H. 3. But I must do

him the Honour to own him to be the first who would make the Barons to have no Personal Right, but what depends upon a King in being; for he allows none to have Right of coming to Parliament, but such only to whom the King has thought fit to direct Writs of Sum-Brady's first mons: Yet, I dare say, no Man of sense, who has read that Controver-See this prosee this pro-fie, believes him. But were his Assertion true, it might be granted, ved upon him, that the Barons would have no more Personal Right to be of any Pref. to Jus Convention, upon the total Absence or Abdication of a King, than they would have of coming to Parliament without his Writ. Yet fince the Right of the People in Person or Representation, is indubitable in such a Case, what hinders the Validity of the late Choice, considering how many Elections of Kings we have had, and that never by the People diffusively fince the first Institution of the Government? And the Representations agreed on (tho' I take them to be earlier settled for Cities and Burrough, than for the Freeholders in the Counties) yet have ever fince their respective Settlements been in the same manner as now; at least, none have, fince the first Institution, ever come in their own Persons, or been Electors, but what are present, personally or representatively, and their own Consent takes away all pretence of Error.

If it be faid, That they ought to have been fummon'd Forty days before the Assembly held; That is only a Privilege from the King, which they may wave, and have more than once confented to be reprefented upon less than Forty days Summons. Mr. Prynne gives se- Pryme's Aniveral Instances, as 49 H. 3. 4 E. 3. 1 H. 4. 28 Eliz. and says, he madversions omits other Precedents of Parliaments summoned within Forty days after the Writs of Summons bear date, upon extraordinary Occasions of Publick Safety and Concernment, which could not conveniently admit so long delay. And Sir Robert Cotton, being a strict Adherer to Form, upon an Erner- vid. Ruffin. gency advis'd, That the Writs should be antedated: which Trick 1 vol. f. 470. could make no real difference. To fay, however, there ought to have 3 car. 1. been a Summons from or in the Name of a King in being, is abfurd; it being for the Exercise of a Lawful Power, which, unless my Authorities fail, the People had without a King, or even against the Confent of one in being.

Besides, it appears, That such Summons have not been essential to the Great Councils of the Nation. Tacitus shews, That the Germans, Tacit. de Mofrom whom we descend, had theirs at certain Days, unless when some ribus German. extraordinary Matter hapned. And by the Confessor's Laws, receiv'd by quid fortuitum W. I. and continu'd downwards by the Coronation-Oaths requir'd, to & subitum certis diebus, dec. v. Leges S.Ed. out any formal Summons, upon May-day.

And the Statute 16 Car. 1. which our rigid Formallists must own to capite Kal. be in force, has wholly taken away the necessity of Writs of Summons Jus Angl. c. 7.

The Affembly of Lords and Commons held Anno 1660. was fum- 12 Car. 2.c.1. mon'd by the Keepers of the Liberties of England, not by the King's Writs; yet when they came to act in conjunction with the King, they declare, enact, and adjudge, (where the Statute is manifestly declaratory of what was Law before) That the Lords and Commons then stting, are and shall be the Two Houses of Parliament, notwithstanding any want of the King's Writ or Writs of Summons, or any defect or alteration of or in any Writ of Summons, &c.

Tho' this seems parallel to the present Case, yet in truth ours is the strongest: For the King then having been only King de jure, no Authority could be receiv'd from him, nor could any Act of his be regarded in Law, thro' defect either of Jurisdiction or Proof, if not both: Accordingly, as not only the Reason of the thing, but the Lord 3 Inst. f.7. sup: Coke shews, a Pardon from one barely King de jure, is of no force.

In Marg. Resides the Keepers were an unstant Power imposing themselves upon Besides, the Keepers were an upstart Power, imposing themselves upon the People without any formal Consent, at least not so fully receiv'd to the publick Administration as our present King was, who at the Request of a very large Representative of the People, pursu'd the late Method of calling a more Solemn Assembly. If that Anno 1660. had Power, acting with the King, to declare it self a Parliament; why had not this, in defect of a King, to declare or chuse one?

Sure I am, prudent Antiquity regarded not so much the Person calling, or the End for which a General Council was call'd, as who were present; that Notice which they comply'd with, being always

fufficiently formal.

Anno 1127. Vid. Spelm. Con. 2. vol.f. I. bendi Synodos in Anglia primavis tempo-Vid. Jan. Ang. fac. nov. and Jus Angl. Flor. Wigorn. f. 663. Conque illuc mag-næ multitudi-Laicorum, tam

Wherefore a General Ecclesiastical Council being summon'd in the Reign of H. 1. by William Archb. of Canterb. thither, according to the known Law of those Times, the Laity came: I cannot say, they sate there; for the Numbers were fo great, as they commonly were at fuch Affemblies before the Free-holders agreed to Representations, that happy was the Man, whatever his Quality, who could have a convenient Standing. After the Ecclesiastical Matters were over in the Council I now speak of, they fell upon Secular: Some they determin'd, some they adjourn'd, some the Judges of the Poll or Voices could make nothing of, by reason of the great Crowd and Din. And when the King heard their Determinations, and confirm'd them, they had full nes Clericorum, Legal Force.

divitum, quam mediocrum & faëlus est conventus grandis & inestimabilis. Quadam determinata, quadam dilata, quadam propter nimium astuantis turba tumultum ab audientia judicantium prossigata, &c. Rex igitur cum inter hac Londonia moraretur auditis concilii gestis consensum prabuit & consirmavit Statuta concilii a Willielmo Cant. &c. celebrati.

But had there been no Warrant from former Times, for the late manner of Proceeding, the People of Legal Interests in the Government having been restor'd to their Original Right, who can doubt, but they had an absolute Power over Forms?

That they were not call'd to a Parliament, I hope will not be an Objection, fince the Word is much less ancient than such Assemblies: And since the Cives, the Common Subject of the National Power, have made their Determination, this, according to that Politive Law which I have shewn above, ought to quiet the Debate, and command a Submission: And yet were there not positive Law on their side, the equitable Refervations before observ'd might be sufficient Warrant.

Nor is the Civil Law wanting to enforce this Matter.

One Barbarius, a run-away Servant, not known to be so, got in favour with Anthony at the time of the Triumvirate, and by his means came to be Prator; upon this a great Question arose, Whether what he did, or was done before him during his Pratorship, were Hottom Illust. valid? Ulpian decides in the affirmative; and Hottoman upon that Question says, "The Suffrages of the People have the force of a Law.

Vid. sup.

Quest. 17.

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The Reasons given for the Resolution, as they are in Gotofred, who best reconciles the various Readings, will greatly strengthen our Case.

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He tells us, That tho' the Question there is only concerning a Ser-Gotofredus de Vant, the Reason of it reaches to Emperors, and all Secular and Ec-gistras inhaclesiastical Dignities. The Reasons why Ulpian holds the Acts of such bilis per errorem fasta, p.6.

1. In regard of Common Utility, and the Inconvenience it would

be to those who had business before him, if it were otherwise.

2. From the Power of the People to give a Servant this Honour. Gotofred thinks, "If this may be done with certain knowledge that "he was a Servant, much more if thro' mistake; for if the People, "who have the Supreme Power, may with certain knowledge, for "the fake of the Publick Good, not only defign a Servant for Prator, "but in this Case, by a just Election, take a Servant away from his "Master; how much more may it be done as in the Case propounded, " not to make a Servant wholly a true Prator, not to take him from "his Master; but only by a commodious Interpretation, to have what "is done by him, or with him, sustain'd; and that so long the Error "of the People, and Servitude of the Person chosen, should not pre-" judice what is done?

Gotofred goes yet further, and says, "Magistrates and Judges con- Gotofred sup.

"Itituted by Tyrants, the Manner of Judgments being kept, and things p. 23.
"done according to Form of Law, or transacted according to their
"Wills, have been held good. And yet in this Case the Defect seems sponte trans-"greater, being the Power is collated by one inhabil, and so a sub-assa." stantial Form is wanting: Wherefore in this part there seems no

"difference between the Inhability of the Elector, or the Elected.

And if ever the Common Utility or Publick Good, might warrant Actions out of the common Course, certainly this could never have been pleaded more forcibly than in the Case of this Nation; which, unless it had declared for King WILLIAM and Queen MARY (which they did in the most regular way that the Nature of the Thing would bear) had in all likelihood, by French Forces, by this time been reduc'd to the miserable Condition of the poor Protestants in Ireland, who are by no means beholden to the nice Observers of unnecessary, and impracticable Forms.

I cannot think that I have followed Truth too nigh at the Heels for Conclusion. my Safety in the present Government, which I take to be built upon this stable Foundation; and that Protestant fondly flatters himself, who thinks to retain his Religion and Security upon any Terms, at a return of the former, which some, who were Instruments in setting up this, feem madly to contend for. But could Men hope to find their private Accounts in such a Change, yet surely the dismal Prospect of Common Calamities to ensue, should induce them to sacrifice such low Ends to the Interest of their Religion and their Country.

I am not sensible that I have misrepresented any Fact or Authority, tho' I have not urg'd them with that strength which might have been by a better Pen. Perhaps what I have offer'd may give another Notion of the Succession, than what many have imbib'd, who will think I violate what is Sacred. I have not urg'd the Illegitimation of the Children of E. 4. by Richard the Third's Parliament, because, tho' he

was a King de facto, if the Character fix'd on him be true, he was a Tyrant, as well as Usurper upon the innocent Prince E. 5. in whose Name he first took the Government upon him, and either terrified or cheated the People into a Compliance with his Pretences.

Tho' I have not the vanity to believe, that any thing of my own can weigh with them who have thought otherwise before; especially if they have listed themselves on a Side contrary to that, which no Disadvantages can make me repent of: Yet I cannot but hope, that the Authorities which I have produc'd, will occasion some Consideration, till they are either evaded, or disprov'd. And being all Legal Objections are answer'd, nor can any Scruple of Conscience be here pretended, without, much less against Law; What hinders, but that we should exert our utmost, in the Service of that Lawful Government from which we receive Protection, and may expect Rewards for Vertue, at least the Defence of it, if we do not strengthen the Hands of them who have hitherto made that the greatest Crime? Wherefore, for us now to look back, after we have fet our Hands to the Plough, would be not only to distrust that Providence which has given such a wonderful Encouragement to Perseverance; but were enough to tarnish all our Actions with the Imputation of making the Publick Interest a Pretence for carrying on our own. 'Tis an happiness indeed when they are twisted and thrive together: But the Cause is such as a Man ought not to fear to die, nay, to starve for it. And how improsperous soever a Man's Endeavours for this may prove, yet it may be a Comfort to have fown that Seed which may grow up for the Benefit of future Ages. Nor ought he to repine, because another Man hath gilded over his Name by what he has got by the Ruine of his Country, or may have infinuated himself again into Opportunities to betray it: Let it be enough for him, how much soever flighted and contemn'd while he lives, to embalm his Memory, by a steadiness to Truth, and the Interest of his Country, not to be shaken by cross Accidents to himself, or the Publick Cause. Let him still act uniformly, while others live in perpetual Contradictions or Varieties; their Actions and their Principles thwarting themselves, or each other, or varying with the State-Weathercocks. Let them violate the Laws, out of Loyalty; unchurch all Protestant Churches but their own, out of Zeal against Popery; narrow the Terms of Communion, to spread the National Religion; confine all Advantages to that Communion, for the Publick Good; make their King the Head of a Party, to strengthen his Hands against his Enemies; deliver up Charters, and retake them gelt of their Noblest Privileges, in performance of their Oaths to preserve them; fight against their King, and yet urge the Obligation of Oaths requiring an unalterable Allegiance to his Person; affert that the Power is inseparable from him, and yet may in his absence, without his Consent, be transferr'd to a Regent, not to be reassum'd when he should think fit to return; grant that he has broken the Contract, yet contend that he retains that Power which he receiv'd from the Contract; or that, tho' the Contract is broken, the Throne is not vacant; or, if it be vacant, yet an Heir has a Right; and so it is vacant, and not vacant, at the same time: Or that after one has broken a Condition, upon which he took an Estate to himself and his Heirs in Fee-simple or Tail, another shall enjoy it as Heir to

him, and that in his Life-time; invite a Deliverer, yet reject the Deliverance.

Upon such Principles as these, I find an eminent English Prelate cen-Letter to B. fur'd as a Deserter of his Church, for going about, according to his great Learning, to justifie the Oaths taken to the present Government: And thus the Cause of J. 2. is made the Cause of the Church of England. Certain it is, whatever is now pretended, 'tis more difficult to justifie the taking up, or promoting Arms against a Deliverer, than an Oppressor. And if Arms against the last were lawful, even with the Prospect of involving Thousands in the Miseries of War; much more are they, in Defence of that Power which has restor'd those Liberties which the other invaded, and reaffur'd the Publick Peace. And whoever first engag'd, and now draw back, not only brand themselves for Traitors, but make it evident, that Ambition, Revenge, or some ungenerous Design, animated their Undertakings. And as I doubt not but they will meet with their due Reward; perhaps that Success which Nostredamus and others foretel to our present King, may go further with such Men, to keep them to their Duty, than the most demonstrative Proofs of Right, which they generally measure by the Event. And as no Cause or Action is Just in their Eyes, which is not Prosperous; they, in the Language of the Poet, are always on the Side of Vidrix causa the Gods: But few are in this Point such Philosophers as Cato.

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Cent. 9. 49.

And & Bruxelles marcheront contre Anvers,
Senat de Londres mettront a mort leur Roy:
Le Sel & Vin luy seront a l'envers,
Pour eux avoir le Regne au desarroy.

Cent. 2. 5 t.

Le Sang du Juste a Londres fera faute, Bruslez par foudres de vingt trois les six: La Dame antique cherra de place haute, De mesme secte plusieurs seront occis.

Cent. 2. 53.

Le grande Peste de cité maritime, Ne cessera que Mort ne soit vengée, Du juste sang par prix damné sans crime, De la grand Dame par seinte n'outragée.

Cent. 3. 80. last Edit. 1682.

Du Regne Anglois le digne dechassé, Le Conseiller par ire mis a feu, Ses adherans iront si bas tracer, Que le Bastard sera demy receu.

Cent. 1. 52.

Les deux malins de Scorpion conjoinces Le grand Seigneur meurdry dedans sa salle, Peste a l'Eglise par le nouveau joinces, L'Europe basse, & Septentrionale.

Cent. 4. 96.

La sæur aisnée de l'Isle Britannique, Quinze ans devant le frere aura naissance; Par son promise moyennant verifique, Succedera au Regne de Balance.

Cent. 3. 16.

Un Prince Anglois Mars a son cœur du Cuel, Voudra pour suivre sa fortune prospere: Des deux duelles l'un percera le fiel, Hay de luy, bien aymé de sa Mere.

Cent. 2. 68.

De l'Aquilon les efforts seront grands, Sur l'Ocean sera la Porte ouverte,

Nostredamus.

Rustes and Gand'gainst Antwerp Forces bring;
And London's Senate put to Death their King.
The Salt and Wine not able to prevent
That Warlike Kingdom's universal Rent.

Cent. 9. 49.

France.

The Blood o'th' Just burnt London rues full sore, When to thrice Twenty, you shall add Six more. The Ancient Dame shall fall from her high Place, And the like Mischief others shall deface.

Cent. 2. 51.
Anno 1666.
St. Paul's.
Other Churches.

From the Sea-Town the Plague shall not retire, Until the Vengeance of that Blood by Fire. The Just condemn'd on Accusations seign'd, And the Great Dame by impious Men profan'd.

Cent. 2. 53.
The Plague not to cease till the Fire.

The Worthy Banish't from the English Realm, Anger shall burn in those that sit at Helm. Th' Adherents shall become so tame, so griev'd, The Bastard shall at least be half Receiv'd.

Cent. 3. 80. Ed. 1672.

When the two Scorpionists conjoin'd shall be, The Great Turk murder'd in his Hall you'll see. A King new-join'd the Churches Plague shall prove; And Europe low, t'a Northern Corner move.

Monmouth.

Cent. 1. 52.

The Eldest Sister born to th' British Throne, Full Fisteen Years before a Brother known: Possest of the large Promises of Fate, Takes the Succession to the Ballance-State.

J.2. born under Scorpio.
Q. the Nativity of his
Brother of France.

An English Prince Heav'n did with Heart endue, Shall come his prosp'rous Fortune to pursue: Who had his Mother's Love, altho' his Hate, I' th' second Combate from him takes his Fate.

Cent. 4. 96.

The D. of Cambridge, born 15 years after the Princess of Orange.

England counted the Ballance of Europe.

Cent. 3. 16.
The Prince of Orange
English by his Mother
Sifter to J. 2.

The Efforts from the North shall mighty be, And the Port open as they pass the Sea:

Cent. 2.68.

The

Le Regne en l'Isle sera reintegrand, Tremblera Londres par voile discoverte.

Taken out of the 12th. L'Occident libre les Isles Britanniques and added to the 7th. Le recogneu passer le bas, puis haut, Cent. 80. last Ed. par Ne content triste Rebel cors Escotiques plui.

Puis rebeller par plus & par nuiet chaut.

La stratagemé simulte sera rare

La mort en voye rebelle par contrée :

Par le retour du Voiage Barbare

Exalteront la Protestant entree.

Veut chaut, conseil, pleurs, timidité,

De nuict assailly sans les arms:

D' oppression grand calamité,

L' Epithalame converty pleurs & larmes.

Cent. 10. 66.

Le chef de Londres par Regne l'Americh

L' Isle d'Escosse tempiera par gelée:

Roy Reb. auront un si faux Antechrist,

Que les mettra trestous dans la meslée.

Cent. 2. 100.

Dedans les Isles si horrible tumulte

Rien on n'orra qu'une bellique brigue,

Tant grand sera des predateurs l'Insult,

Qu'on se viendra ranger a la grand ligue.

Cent. 4. 16.

La Cité franche de liberté fait serve,

Des proffligez & resueurs fait asyle.

Le Roy changé a eux non si proterue,

De cent seront devenus plus de Mille.

Cent. 6. 7.

Norvege & Dace, & l'Isle Britannique,

Par les unis Freres seront vexees:

Le chef Romain Issu du sang Gallique,

Et les Copies aux forests repousees.

Cent. 10. 58.

Prelat Roial son baissant trop tiré,

Grand Flux de Sang sortira par sa bouche,

Le Regne Anglique par Regne respire,

Long temps mort vif en Tunis comme souche.

The Kingdom in the Isle again prevails; And London trembles at discover'd Sails.

The West shall the Britannick Islands free: The Recogniz'd from Low takes High Degree. Scotch discontented Pyrats shall Rebell, In a hot Night, when Rains the Waters swell.

See a strange Stratagem! The Rebel's Death By Contraries gives to their Cause new Breath: By barb'rous Voyage back agen it spreads, The Protestants at th' Entry raise their Heads.

Hot Wind, cold Counsels, Weeping, Panick Fear, Assault by Night in Bed, no Army near; Oppression great Calamity do's raile: Fears and Alarms transform the Bridal-days.

The Chief of London by Americ Reign, Shall of a nipping Scottish Frost complain. King, Reb. so false an Antichrist shall have, As shall occasion Victims for the Grave.

Within the Isles shall mighty Tumults come, All Musick yielding to the Martial Drum. Th' Assailants shall such a brisk On see make, That all to the Great League themselves betake.

The City made a Slave, of one so Free, Shall the Affylum of the Banish't be. The King would gladly change his froward Mind, When he 100 shall 1000 find.

Norway and Dacia, with the British Shore, Shall the United Brothers vex full fore. The Roman Chief, proceeding from French Blood, Shall have his Forces driven to the Wood.

The Royal Church-man bowing's Head too low, A Bloody Torrent from his Mouth shall flow. The English Realm by nother Realm respires; From Death in Slavery, that, Life, inspires.

Viz. The Liberties of the Kingdom.

Added to the Twelfib Cent. Stan. 80. From a Prince becomes a King.

Ibid. 82. The second Landing in the West. He being a Romanist, calls it so.

Ibid. 83.
A lively Description of the State of our Court.

Cent. 10. 66. The Commentator renders this a Reign of Confusion.

Cent. 2. 100.

All join in the Associa-

Cent. 4. 15.

The King Seeing the Numbers encrease, would repent too late.

Cent. 6. 7. The United Provinces vex Denmark & England, or the Governou there, of the Romish Religion, and French Blood by his Mother.

Cent. 10. 56.

J. 2. of the Order of the Jesuits.

Another Realm or Government rescues England.

Vid. Usher's Antique Brits

f. citing Merlin. citing Merlin. Gallica quem gignet, qui gazis regna replebit, Oh dolor, oh gemitus! fratris ab ense cader.

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Cent. 4. 89.

Trente de Londres secret conjureront, Contre leur Roy, sur le pont l'Enterprise; Luy Satellites la mort desgouteront. Un Roy esseu blond & natif de Frize.

Cent. 2. 67.

Le blond au nez forche viendra commetre, Par le Duel & chassera dehors: Les Exiles dedans fera remettre, Aux lieux marins commettans les plus forts.

Prophesies at the end 5.

Celuy qui la Principauté,
Tiendra par grande cruauté,
A la fin verra grand Phalange,
Par coup de feu tres dangereux.
Par accord pourroit faire mieux,
Autrement boira Suc d'Orange.

Cent. 6. 13.

Un dubieux ne viendra loing du regne, La plus grand part le voudra Joustenir, Un Capitole ne voudra point qu'il regne, Sa grande chare ne pourra maintenir.

Cent. 8. 58.

Regne en querelle aux fieres deuisé, Prendre les armes & le nom Britannique, Tiltre Anglican sera tard advise, Surprins de nuit, mener a l'air Gallique.

Cent. 10. 26.

Le Successeur vengera son Beau-frere, Occuper Regne souz ombre de vengeance, Occis obstacle son sang mort vitupere, Long temps Bretagne tiendra avec la France.

Cent. 5. 18.

De Dueil mourra l'infelix profligé, Celebrera son victrix l'Hecatombe, Pristine Loy franc Edict redigé, Le Mur & Prince septiesme ibur au tombe.

Cent. 5.4.

Le gros Mastin de Cité dechassé, Sera fasché de l'estrange Alliance, Apres aux Champs avoir le Cerf chassé, Le Loup & l'Ours se donront desiance. Thirty on London-bridge seek the King's Death; The Guards shall make him pine away his Breath. This Scene of Things remov'd, a brown-hair'd King Shall there be chose, who did from Friezland spring.

Cent. 4 89.

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The Brown hair'd coming with Hawk nose to Fight, Cent. 2. 67. Shall put his baffl'd Enemy to flight;
The Exiles to the Land he shall restore,
Placing the Stoutest of them next the Shore.

He who the Principality shall hold,
By Cruelty indecent to be told,
At last shall see a mighty Army rang'd,
And his Condition into dang'rous chang'd.
'Twere better fairly to agree the Thing,
Lest him to's Fate the Juyce of Orange bring.

Prophecies at the end 5.

One dubious, not from far, shall come to Reign; The greater Party shall his Side sustain: This by the Great One, tho' it be withstood, He can't maintain the Title of his Blood.

Who in danger of drinking the Juyce of Orange?

Doubtsul what Title to

The King can't justifie

A Kingdom betwixt Brothers in Contest,
With whom the British Arms and Name should rest:
The English Title shall be late advis'd,
Into French Air see one by Night surpriz'd.

Cent. 8. 58.

the Babe.

Cent. 6. 13.

The Successor aveng'd of 's Brother'n Law, Whom that Pretence to take the Crown did draw, The Obstacle being slain, his Blood shall slight; Britain shall long with treach'rous France unite. The Babe sent to France

Th' Unhappy driv'n away, for Grief shall die; A Woman celebrates the Victory. The Ancient Law and Edict Freedom have, The Wall and the Sev'nth Prince shall find a Grave. Cent. 10. 26.
The Occasion of things the Crown of English.

The City the great Mastiff forc'd to leave, Shall at the wonderful Alliance grieve; Tho' he has made the tim'rous Hart to fly, The Wolf and Bear shall yet his Pow'r desic. Cent. 5. 18.

V. Cent. 2. 62 Jp of France and Geny, Qui le Grand nec.

J. 2. of Scotland the Seventh.

Cent. 3. 70.

The Mastiff an Emblem of England.

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Cent. 30. 70.

Le Grand Bretagne comprise d'Angleterre, Viendra par eaux si baut innonder, La Ligue neve d'Ausone fera guerre, Que contre se viendront bander.

Cent. 4. 13.

De plus grand perte novelles rapportées, Le raport fait le camp s'estonnera, Bandes unies encontre revoltées, Double Phalange, grand abandonnera.

Cent. 4. 22.

La grand Copie qui sera dechassée, Dans un moment fera besoign au Roy, La Foy promise de loing ser fausée Nud se verra en piteux desarroy.

Cent. 4. 75.

Prest a combattre fera defection, Chef Adversaire obtiendra la victoire, L'arriere garde fera defension Les defaillans morts au blanc terretoire.

Albien.

Cent. 10.68.

L' Armée de Mer devant Cité tiendra,
Puis partira sans faire longue allée,
Citoyens grande proye en Terre prendra,
Retourner classe reprendre grand emblée.

Cent. 5. 26.

La gent esclave par un heur Martial, Viendra en haut degré tant eslevée, Changeront Prince, naistra un Provincial, Passer la Mer, copie aux Monts levée.

Cent. 1. 13.

Les Exiles, par ire, haine intestine, Feront au Roy grand Conjuration: Secret mettront ennemis par la mine Et les vieux siens, contre eux Sedition.

Cent. 1.35.

Le Lyon jeune le vieux surmontera, En champ bellique par singulier Duelle, Dans cage d'or les yeux luy creuera, Deux playes une puis mourir mort cruelle.

Cent. 1. 33.

Pres d'un grand Pont de plaine spatieuse, Le grand Lyon par forces Cesarées,

Great Britain as compris'd in England known, Shall with an Inundation be o're-flown; The New Ausonian League shall offer War, To all that to unite against it dare.

Cent. 3 70. The Landing of Forces may answer this. Aufonium, Ausburg.

While thro' the Camp the mighty Losses ring, The News shall Terror to the Soldiers bring: Into Revolt whole Troops and Squadrons run; The Great One leaves them, feeing he's undone.

Cent. 4. 12

The King shall find the Want approaching near Of all the Forces which he did cashiere. The Faith shall fail which long had promis't been; Forsaken and distrest he shall be seen.

The Officers disbanded after the routing of

Just upon Fighting shall Defection be; The Adverse Chief obtains the Victory: The Rere-Guard stand: Death follows them that run: In the White Territory this is done.

Cent. 4. 75.

The City shall the Naval Force obey, That shall return after a little stay. The Citizens a Prize at Land shall gain;

Albion, England.

The Fleet for a new Lading comes again.

Cent. 10.68.

A Land enslav'd shall in a Martial Hour See its self rais'd to high Degree of Pow'r; Their Prince they'll change, and a Provincial mounts, Passing the Seas with Forces rais'd near Monts.

Viz. Their Liberties. Forces sent to Holland.

Exiles by Hatred and intestine Ire, Against their King successfully conspire: The Foes in lecret carry on the Mine,

Cent. 5. 26.

And his old Friends help forward the Design.

Aux Monts.

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The Elder Lion to the Young shall yield, By fingle Duel in the Martial Field; He in a Golden Cage shall lofe his Eyes: Two Navies; one shall cruel Death surprize. Cent. 1. 35. English and Belgick

Near to the Bridge, upon a spacious Plain, The Lion shall Cafarian Force maintain;

Cent. 1. .33

Their

Fera abatre hors Cité rigoureuse, Par effroy partes luy seront reserrées.

- Cent. 2. 78.

 Le gran.l Neptune du profond de la Mer,

 De sang Punique & sang Gaulois meslé:

 Les Isles a sang pour tardif ramer,

 Plus luy nuira que l'occult mal celé.
- Cent. 2. 38.

 Des condamnez sera faict un grand nombre,

 Quand les Monarques seront consiliez;

 Mais l'un d'eux viendra si mal encombre,

 Que guere enfemble ne seront raliez.
- Cent. 2. 89.

 Un jour seront d'amis les deux grands Maistres,

 Leur grand pouvoir se verra augmenté,

 La Terre neuve sera en ses hauts estres,

 Au sanguinaire le nombre raconté.
- Cent. 3. 63.

 Romain pouvoir fera du tout abas,
 Son grand Voisin imiter les vestiges,
 Occultes haines civiles, & debates
 Retarderont aux boufons leur folies.
- Cent. 2.87.

 Apres viendra des extremes Contrées,
 Prince Germain dessus Throsne d'Oré,
 La Servitude & les Eaux rencontrées,
 La Dame serve son temps plus n'adoré.
- Cent. 5.99.

 Milan, Ferrare, Turin, & Aquileye,
 Capne, Brundis, vexez par gent Celtique,
 Par le Lion & Phalange Aquilée,
 Quand Rome aura le Chef vieux Britannique.
- Le grand Celtique entrera dedans Rome,

 Menant amas d'exilez & bannis,

 Le grand Pasteur mettra a mort tout homme,

 Qui pour le Coq estoient aux Alpes unis.
- Cent. 5. 24. alias 74. De sang Trojen naistra cœur Germanique,
 Qui de viendra en si haute puissance,
 Hors chassera gent estrange Arabique,
 Tornant l' Eglise en pristine préeminence.

Their Pride without the City he'll abate; Himself brought in with Crouds within the Gate.

To the great Neptune of the spacious Sea, In whom French Blood and Punique Faith agree, To try at last in Blood the Isles to drown; More hurt than from the secret Ill is known.

Of the Condemn'd shall be a dismal Sight, When in the same Design Monarchs unite. One shall be so incumbred in's Affairs, They shan't be able to be join'd in Wars.

One day the two Grear Masters shall combine, And find themselves advanc't in their Design: The New Land to its Altitude shall rise, The Number shall the Bloody-one surprise.

The Roman Pow'r shall kiss the lowly Ground, And its Great Neighbour the like Chance confound. Secret Debates, and Civil Discords, soon Shall stop the Follies of the poor Bussoon.

After a German Prince does come from far, Carried aloft upon a Golden Car, With Servitude and Waters in his Way: The Dame shall serve, and none her Pow'r obey.

Millain, Ferrare, Turin, and Aquilee, Capne and Brundis forely vex't shall be, By th' Eagle, Lion, and the Celtiques join'd, And a Britannick Head Rome then shall find.

The Celtique Hero with a great amass
Of banish't Worthies into Rome shall pass;
And the Great Pastor shall to Death consign
All nigh the Alps, who with the Cock shall join.

From Trojan Blood shall come a German Heart, Who to so high Degree of Pow'r shall start, That the Arabian Strangers he shall chase, And to the Church restore its pristine Grace. Cent. 2. 78.

The King of England shall find his Designs fatal to himself.

Cent, 2. 38. England and France

Cent. 2. 89. England and France.

As its State new.
The King of France.

Cent. 3. 63. Rome and France.

Cent. 2.87.
The Prince of Orange is of German Extra-tion.
The Whore of Babylon.

Cent. 5. 99.

Germans, English, Dutch.

Cent. 6. 28. Belgick.

The Pope.

The French.

Cent. 5. 24. alias 74.
The English reputed of
Trojan blood, and London has been called
Troinovant.

The

Cent. 5. 87.

L' An que Saturne hors de Servage, Au franc terroir sera d'eau mondé. De sang Troyen sera son mariage, Et sera seur d'Espagnols circondé.

Cent. 6. 41.

Les second Chef du Regne Dannemark, Par ceux de Frize & l'Isle Britannique, Fera despendre plus de cent mille marc, Vain expoiêter Voyage en Italique.

Cent. 6. 12.

Dresser Copie pour monter a l'Empire, Du Vatican le sang Royal tiendra, Flamens, Anglois, Espagne aspire, Contre l'Italie & France contendra.

Cent. 6, 43. Paris.

Long temps sera sans estre habitée, Ou Siene & Marne au tour vient arrousser, De la Thamise & Martiaux tentée, De ceus les gardes en cui dant repousser.

Cent. 3. 9.

Bourdeaux, Rouen, & la Rochelle joints, Tiendront autour la grand Mer Occeane, Anglois-Bretons, & les Flamans conjoints, Les chasseront jusque aupres de Rouane.

Cent. 5. 34.

Last Ed. Blaye.

Du plus profond de l'Occident Anglois, Ou est le chef de l'Isle Britanique, Entrera classe en Gyronde par Blois, Par Vin & Sel feux cachez aux barriques.

Cent. 9. 38.

L'Entrée de Blaye par Rochelle & l'Anglois, Passera outre le grand Æmathien: Non loing d'Agen attendra le Gaulois, Secours Narbonne deceu par entretien.

Cent. 9. 64.

L' Emathien passer Monts Pyreneés, En Mars Norbone ne fera resistance, Par Mer & Terre fera si grand menée, Cap n'ayant Terre secure pour demeurance.

Cont. 10, 7.

Le grand conflict qu'on apreste a Nancy, L' Æmathien dira tout je submets, (i3)

The Year that Saturn's out of Servitude,
The Free Land shall be cover'd with a Flood:
With Trojan Blood in Marr'age he's ally'd,
And shall be safe with Spaniards on his Side.

Cent. 5. 87. Vid. Partiidge de Anno 1688. The Sun now deprest by Saturn.

The second Chief of the rough Danish Soil, With those of Frieze, and the bold British Isle, Shall cause 100 000 Marks to be Spent in a Voyage into Italy.

Cent. 6. 41.

Prince George, the Dutch, and English.

The Royal Blood shall Forces raise to gain Th' expected Empire of the Vatican: Flemings, and English, with the Spaniard joyn'd, 'Gainst Italy and France shall be combin'd.

Cent. 6. 12.

Long uninhabited shall be the Place Which Sein and Marne with watry Arms embrace: Assaulted by the Thames, and Warriors bold; Their Force not by the Guard to be controll'd. Cent. 6: 43.
Paris.

Burdeaux, Roan, Rochel, joyning all their Force, Upon the spacious Ocean take their Course: The English-Britans and the Flemings joyn'd, Shall chase them up to Roan as Clouds with Wind.

Cent. 3. 9.

A Sea-fight.

English and Flemings victorious over the French.

From farthest Westward of the English Soil, Where is the Chief of the brave British Isle, A Fleet into the Garonne comes by Blay; France to hide Fire in Barrels, shall essay.

Cent. 5. 34.
It must needs be thought, that this relates to the Princes landing and stay in the West.

Th' English shall pass by Rochel into Blay, The Great Æmathien leading them the Way: Not far from Agen he the French shall meet, The Help from Narboun fails them by deceipt. Cent. 9. 38. Vid. Pref.

Th' Æmathien o're the Pyrenæans goes, Narboun in War dares not his Way oppose: By Sea and Land he with such Pow'r shall ride, The Cap shall want a Place where to abide. Cent. 9. 64.

Near Nancy a most bloody Conslict see; Th' Æmathien says, All shall submit to Me.

The Jesuit.

Cent. 10. 7.}

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L' Isle Britanne par Sel en Solcy, Hem. mi. deuz. Phi. long temps tiendra Mets.

La grand Empire sera tost translaté Cent. 1. 32. En lieu petit qui bien tost viendra croistre, Lieu bien infime d'exigue Comté Ou au milieu viendra poser son Scepter.

Le grand Empire sera par l'Angleterre, Cent. 1. 100. Le Pempotam des ans plus de trois cens, Grandes copies passer par Mer & Terre, Les Lusitains n'en seront pas contens.

Euge Tamins, Gironde & la Rochelle, Cent. 2. 61. O sang Trojen mort au Port de la flesche: Derrier le Fleuve au Fort mise l'eschelle, Vid. Cent. 5. 34. Pointes feu, grand meurtre sur la bresche.

Romain Pontife garde de t'aprocher, Cent. 2. 97. De la Cité que deux Fleuves arrouse: Vid. Cent. 6. 43. Ton sang viendra aupres de la cracher, Toy & les tiens quand fleurira la Rose.

Regne Gaulois tu seras bien changé Cent. 3. 49. En lieu estrange est translaté l' Empire, En autres mœurs & Lois seras rangé, Roan & Chartres te feront bien du pire.

to a court of the latest Quand le plus grand emportera le prix, De Nuremberg d'Ausbourg, & ceux de Basse: Cent. 5. 43. Louis le Grand. Par Agrippine Chef de Frankfort repris, Traverseront par Flandres jusqu'en Gale.

Les long cheveux de la Gaule Celtique, Cent. 3.83. Accompagnez d'Estranges Nations, Mettront captif l'Agent Aquitanique, Pour succomber a leurs intentions.

Fleuve qu'esproune le nouveau nay Celtique, Cent. 6. 3. Sera en grande de l' Empire discorde: Le jeune Prince par gent Ecclesiastique, Le Sceptre osté Corona de Concorde.

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The British Isle by * Salt and Wine in doubt; But Mets shan't long be able to hold out.

* France.

A quick Translation of the Empire see: In a small Place the lofty Seat shall be. A Place inferior, of but mean Account, Into the middle shall its Scepter mount.

England of Pow'r shall be the glorious Seat, Cent. 10. 100. More than Three hundred Years continuing Great: Large Forces thence shall pass through Land and Seas, To the disquiet of the Portugees.

Thames, Garone, Rochel, all engaged in War; Oh Trojan-Blood, your Arrows fatal are! The Scaling-Ladders shall the Fortress reach; Fire on the Bridge, and Slaughter in the Breach.

Cent. 2. 61. Vid. Cent. 5. 34. The English Forces fatal to the French.

Roman High-Priest! Take heed how you come nigh Cent. 2.97. The City which two Rivers do supply: The Blood of you and yours shall freely flow There, in the Season when the Roses blow.

Seems to relate to Paris, vid. Cent. 6. yet may agree with London.

Great Changes France betide in luckless Hour, In a strange Place shall be the Seat of Pow'r: Quite diffrent Laws and Manners it must take; Part of its Mis'ry Roan and Chartres make.

Csnt. 3. 49.

When the Great Monarch bears away the Prize Cent. 3. 53-I som those of Ausburgh, and their firm Allies, In logne the Chief of Frankfort shall retake: Their Way thro' Flanders into France they'll make.

Lames resemble to the second comment Tall Horse men from the * Celtique Gall shall ride, Cent. 3.83. With Men of divers Nations on their side: Th' Agent for † Aquitain they will confine, To make him pliable to their Delign.

The River which does the young Celtique prove, Shall in the Empire mighty Discord move. For the young Prince the Clergy shall declare; He takes the Scepter, and the Crown shall wear.

Part of France. Is it a doubt who has been Agent for the French. Cen1. 6. 3. The Rhine. First the Administration, then the Crown.

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Cent. 6. 4.

Fleuve Celtique changera de Rivage, Plus ne tiendra la Cite d'Agripine Tout transmué ormis le viel Language, Saturn, Leo, Mars, Cancer, en rapine.

Cent. 7. 34.

En grande regret sera la gent Gauloise, Cœur vain, leger croira temerité, Pain, Sel, ne Vin, Eau, venin ne Cervoise, Plus gran captif, faim, froid, necessité.

Cent. 8. 98.

Des gens d'Eglise sang sera espanché, Comme de l'eau en si grande abondance, Et d'un long temps ne sera restranché, Veve au Clerc, ruyne & doleance.

Cent. 9. 92.

Le Roy voudra dan cité nefve entrer, Par ennemis expugner l'on viendra: Captif libere faulx dire & perpetrer, Roy de bors estre, loin d'ennemis tiendra.

Cent. 10. 22.

Pour ne vouloir consentir au devorce, Qui puis apres sera cogneu indigne: Le Roy des Isles sera chassé par force, Mis a son lieu qui de Roy n' aura signe.

Cent. 10.75.

Tant attendu ne reviendra jamais, Dedans l' Europe, en Asie apparoistra: Un de la ligue yssu du grand Hermes, Et sur tous Roys des Orients croistra.

Cent. 10. 86.

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Comme un Gryphon viendra le Roy d' Europe,
Accompagne de ceux d' Aquilon:
De rouges & blancs conduira grand troppe,
Et iront contre le Roy de Babylon.

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The Celtique River shall new Channel take, Cologne its Out-bound shall no longer make: Except the Ancient Language, all is new; Saturn, Mars, Leo, Cancer, Spoils pursue.

Cent. 6. 4. Cologne.

Vid. Partridge of the Conjunctions, An. 1688.

Great Disappointments shall the Frenchmen find;
Their vain light Hearts puff't up with empty Wind:
Salt, Wine, and Bread, Water and Beer shall fail;
The Great one cold, and famish't in a Gaol.

Cent. 7. 34.

The Blood of Churchmen shall be largely shed, And like a mighty River it shall spread: Long shall it be before the Slaughter ends: Wo to the Clerk; Ruine and Grief attends.

Cent. 8. 98.

They'd have the King by Force his Game retreive, His Nephew fince the Citizens receive: The Pris'ner now to talk and act is free; The King without keeps far from th' Enemy.

The Prince, Nephew to the K. as well as Son-inlaw.

The King o' th' Isles shall be driv'n out by force, For not consenting unto a Divorce, From what's soon own'd unfitting to have been:

One without Mark of King in's Place is seen.

Cent. 10. 22.

Such Expectation never shall be known In Europe rais'd: Asia the Sight shall own. One of the League, of the Great Hermes's Line, In Glory shall the Eastern Kings out-shine. Cent. 10. 75.

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The Ausburg League.

The King of Europe with the Northern Flow'r, Shall like a Gryphon come in mighty Pow'r; In Red and White a num'rous Force shall lead, All join'd against the Babylonish Head.

Cent. 10. 86.

Grebner.

Nota, Abdicated.

Er idem tempus Rex quidam Borealis (nomine CA-ROLUS) MARIAM ex Papistica Religione sibi assumptam in Matrimonium conjunxerit ex quo evadet Regum infelicissimus. Unde populus ejus, ipso abdicato, Comitem quendam perantiquæ Familiæ regno præponet, qui tres annos, aut eo circiter durabit & boc quoque remoto, Equitem quendam bellicosum in ejus locum assumet qui paulo ampliùs regnabit.

Posthunc eliget nullum. Interea unus è stirpe Caroli in littore regni patris sui cum Gallicis, Suevicis, Danicis, Hollandicis, Burgundicis, & Germanicis, auxiliis stabit, omnes inimicos suos cruentissimo bello superabit, & postea Regnum suum felicissimè administrabit, eritque Carolo magno major.

Sum Anglicus truculentus Leo, modo rugens, fremens, & immane sæviens, animosus, fælix, & Victoriosus contra omnes hostes; Patriæ meæ fideliter auxilio venio & præsidio, ac clementi meæ Reginæ asporto pretiosum cimelion Margaritam dietam, Belgicas, & Hispanicas dictiones, unde Regina mea tempore vitæ suæ certo magnifice & gloriose Trumphat.

Terra Jubila, Jubila, canta, & exulta quod vidisti exoptatum diem Ruinæ & excidii Antichristi, quod ductu & auspicio fælici Anglorum, Gallorum, Danorum, Germanicorum, Scotorum, Suecorum, præsidio dextræ numinis altipotentis siet.

Europæ labes & imbecilitas singulorum ejusdem Regnorum, sedem mirabiliter struet Quintæ Monarchiæ, quæ sub tempus exitii Romani Imperii ad terrorem totius Mundi ex rumis Germaniæ refulgebit.

Grebner.

CHARLES a Northern King much Woe Cited in the Northern 'twill breed,
To marry Mary of the Romish Creed.
The People casting off his luckless Sway,
Shall of an Ancient House an Earl obey.
Three Years, or thereabout, he them shall Head:
Then shall a Warlike Knight come in his stead;
He something longer shall maintain his Post;
After him, Nol is chose to rule the Rost.

Of Charles his Lineage there shall One arise, Who with French, Germans, Swedes, Danes, Dutch, Supplies, Upon the Shore of 's Father's Realm shall Land, Aud Conquer all who dare his Arms withstand. With great Prosperity he long shall Reign, In Glory ev'n surpassing Charlemain.

An English Roaring Lion am I found,
My Rage and Courage with Successes Crown'd:
For Aid and Safeguard to my Country come:
I to my Queen bring a rich Treasure home:
Holland and Spain well call'd a Precious Stone,
Whence shall my Queen enjoy a happy Throne.

Rejoice, O Earth! Proclaim a Jubilee;
For you the Fall of Antichrist shall see:
With happy Conduct, in auspicious Hour,
The English, French, Scotch, Swedish, Danish Flow'r,
Shall cast her down by the Almighty's Pow'r.

The Europæan Kingdoms in decay,
The Scene of a Fifth-Monarchy shall lay:
Which while the Roman Empire does decline,
Out of the German-Ruins bright shall shine,
And with its Lustre terrise the World,
E're thrice the Sun has thro' its Houses whirl'd.

Hec triennii spatio cetera Europe regna aut vi predomitabit aut belli metu ad Societatem propellet, quo universalem Ligam onnium Protestantium efficiet.

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This Europe's Kingdoms shall by Force subdue, Or drive to Friendship, while they War eschue; Whence shall an Universal League be made Of all the Protestants, for mutual Aid.

Of th' Orange Family it shall be faid, Our Belgick Lions shall the Armies Head, And with undaunted Courage Terror spread. Hence Glory, Pow'r, and an unrival'd Fame, Shall to all Ages celebrate the Name.

David

David Pareus.

Here shall arise out of the Nation of the most Illustrious Lilies, having a long Forehead, high Eye-brows, great Eyes, and an Eagle's Nose: He shall gather a great Army, and destroy all the Tyrants of his Kingdom, and slay all that fly and hide themselves in Mountains and Caves, from his Face: For Righteousness shall be joined unto him, as the Bridegoom to the Bride: With them he shall wage War even unto the fortieth Year, bringing into Subjection the Islanders, Spaniards, and Italians. Rome and Florence he shall destroy and burn with Fire, so as Salt may be sowed on that Land. The greatest Clergy-man, who hath invaded Peter's Seat, he shall put to Death; and in the same Year obtain a double Crown. At last going over the Sea with a great Army, he shall enter Greece, and be named The King of the Greeks: The Turks and Barbarians he shall subdue, making an Edict, That every one [hall die the Death, that worshippeth not the Crucified One: And none shall be found able to resist him, because an Holy Arm from the Lord shall always be with him: And he shall posses the Dominion of the Earth. These things being done, he shall be called, The Rest of Holy Christians, &c.

David Pareus,

Among PROPHECIES Printed ANNO 1682.

Ne of long Forehead, and of Eye-brows high, An Eagles rifing Nose, and a full Eye, From the Illustrious Lillies shall arise, And his Realms Tyrants with his Arms surprise.

To Mounts and Caves they from his Face shall fly, And many miserable Wretches die: For Righteousness he as a Bride shall take, And to the Forti'th Year fam'd Wars shall make.

Those of the Islands, Spain, and Italy, Subject unto his Pow'r the World shall see: Florence and Rome with raging Fire he'll waste, And Salt into the gaping Furrows cast.

The Prelate that does Peter's Seat invade, To taste unwelcom Death by him is made: And the same Year a double Crown he'll gain, With a great Army passing o're the Main.

Greece he shall enter; stil'd the Grecian King;
Turks and Barbarians to Subjection bring;
By a firm Edict fixing Death on all,
That don't before the suff'ring Saviour fall.

None shall be found that can his Force abide, Because God's Sacred Arm strengthens his Side. The Empire of the Earth by him possest, He shall be call'd, The Holy Christian's Rest.

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Ant. Torquatus.

Alli cum Hispanis pluries, longoque tempore pugnabunt. Post Turcæ cum Hispanis, quibus omnibus tandem Hispani superiores erunt. Omnia extrema visura passuraque est misella Italia, sed præcipuè Longobardi: Bellicus furor omnia maligna in Italiam effundet, plus Italiæ qu'am cæteris provinciis astra minantur. Apparebit namque fortissimus Princeps à Septentrione qui populos debellabit & urbes, & dominia, ac potentatus horribili cum terrore, savissimisque & invictissimis bellis expugnabit, universos sibi subjiciet vi. Aquarum diluvia nedum in Italia, verum etiam & in aliis provinciis & locis exundabunt, ac humiliora operient loca, & Civitates & Castra Jubmergentur. Futurumque est mare Piratis & classibus plenum, quo magno cum terrore civitates maritimas oppriment & Spoliabunt. Unde fleant expectantes, fleantque maxime Romani Imperii hostes.

Quot dominia mutabuntur, quotque illustres familiæ antique dominia amittent, haud facile hoc narrari posset, & per maximè in Italia continget. Quot respublicæ per vim & cum dolore, Juos status & libertates amittent, & aliis dominis atque externis subjicientur? Florentia, Luca, Janua, Venetia, & aliæ quoque respublicæ prædicto fato erunt subjectæ nec evadere poterunt, & quo tardius id fiet eo durius infeliciusque eveniet eis, & eo fato prementur. Nam tam ardua diraque; necnon sævissima bella inter Gallos atque Germanos & Hispanos, ac inter eorum Reges oritura sunt, inter quos Angli Italique miscebuntur & etiam Turcæ ad ea a Christianis in auxilium vocabuntur. Itaque tunc videbitur quod totus status orbis sit ruiturus, & omnes præ confusione rerum timebunt ultimam ruinam. Multi contra Romanum Imperatorem & Juos ferociter ferentur & ibunt. Sed Romanus Imperator tantà vi repente contra hostes suos præter omnem spem & opinionem insurget, quod contra omne Judicium opprimet eos superabit ac vincet, & Gallorum Regem aut interficiet aut secundò capiet, Tandem tamen gladio concidet, aut amisso regno, filiis calamitatibus oppressis, ducibusque suis interfectis vitam finiet

Ant. Torquatus.

Dedicated to Matthias King of Hungary, Anno 1480. Edit. Anno 1552.

Ften and long Spaniards and French shall fight; Pag. 7. 6.

Then shall the Turks yield to the Spanish Might. The Emperor and King of Spain of the same House.

Shall see and suffer various Grounds of Grief.

All Ills shall Italy invade by Wars,
Italy chiefly threatned by the Stars:
For from the North a Prince of Valour great
Shall people, Cities, Potentates defeat;
Fierce, and invincible against his Foes,
Subduing all who his Success oppose.
In Italy, and other Countries too,
The Waters Towns and Castles shall o'reslow:
Pyrats and Navies shall the Sea infest,
And Sea-port Towns be spoil'd, and sore opprest.
A dismal Prospect this to many shows,
But most unto the Roman Empire's Foes.

Twere tedious to recount how many Realms And Ancient Families Ruine o'rewhelms; How many Commonwealths by Force and Fraud, Out of their Lives and Liberties are aw'd, Letting in cruel Masters from abroad. Florence and Venice, many other States, Shall subject be, nor can evade their Fates: The longer 'tis' before they meet their Doom, The fiercer will the mighty Ruine come. French, Germans, Spaniards, with their several Kings, Engag'd in War, perpetrate bloody things: Italians and the English have their Share, And by the Christians, Turks invited are. Many against the Roman Empire rise, Fiercely assailing it and its Allies. The Emp'ror shall arise to sudden Powr, And conquer all his Foes in lucky Hour, Leaving Belief and trembling Hope behind, And the French King from him his Fate shall find, finiet, & tunc ultra Gallorum laus sub Aquilà volabit, Tunc Galli infelices erunt.

Anglus quoque Rex Gallicis ruinis non longe dissimilia pertimescat infortunia. Poterit ipse cum suis adversam experiri fortunam & ingenti strage prosterni, quia tutum non est sed fatuum contra fata niti; Sapiens tamen dominabitur astris.

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B'ing slain, or twice a Pris'ner; but at last, He surely by the Sword his Death shall taste, His Kingdom lost, Progeny prest with Woe, And all his Captains meet an Overthrow. Then Fortune, adverse to the Frenchmen, brings Their Praise to crowch under the Eagles Wings.

The King of England then may justly fear, The like Calamities with France to bear: He and his Party luckless Chance may try, And with a mighty Slaughter prostrate lie: For, Madness 'tis against the Fates to rise; And yet, The Stars are govern'd by the Wise.

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